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MOSCOW TRAIN DISASTER.

68 KILLED: 130 INJURED.

CLOSE OFFICIAL SECRECY.

Moscow, Jan. 17.
The closest official secrecy having been observed for more than a fortnight, details of a ghastly railway accident which occurred just outside Moscow on January 2, have just been divulged.

It is remarkable how the facts were kept from the public for so long. It was one of the worst calamities occurring on any railway for many years.

Over sixty were killed, the official figure is 68, and 130 were injured.

The heavy casualties occurred in a train which was crowded with workers, who were travelling to Moscow.

Two Crowded Trains.

The train came to a stop at Kossino, near Moscow, and directly afterwards, a second packed train crashed into its rear.

The tragedy was heightened when the locomotive of the second train, released from the wreckage, dashed among the wreckage.

The accident occurred at night and the darkness increased the difficulties of those engaged in rescue work.

The cause of the disaster has not been disclosed, but it is understood that eleven railway officials have been placed under arrest as the result of an inquiry.—*Reuter.*

A WHALE OF A TOURIST.

Rare Visitor off D'Aguilar.

A well-known local resident and his wife witnessed an unusual sight on Saturday evening when they saw a big whale fairly close to Cape D'Aguilar and watched it spouting for fully ten minutes.

It was about five o'clock when the couple, who were out on a walk on the eastern extremity of the island, spotted the monster, which was well up on the surface of the water. It was swimming between Cape D'Aguilar and a small island in the vicinity, quite close to the shore.

During the time the whale was kept under observation, it must have spouted fully a dozen times. Eventually, it made off in the direction of Pu Tai Island.

The precise species of the monster is not known, but enquiries show that whale occasionally visit local waters in the winter months, though they do not often come very close to shore. Last year, two were sighted some way off the island by a yachting party.

LAST OF FAMOUS MENAGERIE.

BOSTOCK "ZOO" SENT TO WHIPSNADE.

London, Jan. 17.
Britain has lost one of its oldest and most popular entertainment institutions by the dismantling to-day of Bostock and Wombwell's Royal Menagerie.

The Circus and Menagerie has been perambulating the country since 1805.

The management arranged for the last professional appearance of the animals last night at Glasgow, after which the hundreds of wild animals and birds were placed aboard a train and sent south.

They are to be placed in the Zoological Society's new and spacious animal park at Whipsnade in Bedfordshire.—*Reuter.*

REPARATIONS ISSUE TO BE SHELVED.



Our picture shows a police officer searching an arrested student in Barcelona.

Lowest Dollar in Six Weeks.

SIGNS OF SILVER WEAKNESS.

Silver has developed weakness both in London and New York, with the result that the Hongkong dollar opened lower to-day than for any period during the last six weeks. The demand rate is 1s. 11 1/2 d. for 100 dollars, a drop of a farthing compared with Saturday's quotation.

The fall in London prices was 10 lbs. both for spot and ready, and is chiefly due to poor support. The market was quiet on Saturday.

In New York, silver has fallen half a cent, with the market dull. Inter-bank rates in Hongkong and Shanghai are about 1s. 5d. and 1s. 11 1/2 d. respectively. The market being easy in both centres.

The lack of strength in the market is reflected in the fact that in India, with a daily offtake of only about ten bars, there is a surplus of 9,000 bars.

TEA AND SALT TAX RUMOURS

EMPHATIC DENIAL TO-DAY.

An alleged Government proposal to impose an import duty on salt and tea was the basis of persistent rumours in the City this morning, especially in Chinese circles.

The Colonial Secretariat has given them an emphatic denial. The rumours suggested that it was the Government's intention to introduce the necessary legislation early this year.

Mr. D. W. Trautman, Principal Assistant Colonial Secretary, told a *Telegraph* representative this morning that there was absolutely no foundation for the reports. Nothing was known at the Colonial Secretariat regarding such a proposal.

SIR M. LAMPSON'S HOLIDAY.

SIX MONTHS' LEAVE IN ENGLAND.

Nanking, Jan. 18.
Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister in China, is leaving for England, via Siberia, within a few days on six months' leave.

Mr. E. M. B. Ingram, O.B.E., Counselor of the Legation, will be *Charge d'Affaires*.

It is expected that Sir Miles Lampson will return for a further two years' service in China.—*Reuter.*

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone is central over the Yellow Sea, moving east.

Catalonia Unrest.

Grave Strike Threats.

(*Reuter's Special Service.*)

Barcelona, Jan. 17.
The grave labour troubles which have been causing the Spanish Government so much anxiety in the past two months are expected to reach their climax before the end of January, and the outlook is black.

Twenty-five thousand Barcelona workers have declared their intention of "downing tools" tomorrow, and that if their demands are not met, the strike will be spread throughout the whole of Catalonia.

Simultaneously the Syndicalists have announced a general strike as from January 25 throughout the country.

Girls Resist Arrest.

A number of girls were arrested to-day in Barcelona for distributing seditious pamphlets.

Many of these women agitators tried to resist arrest and the police had to resort to the employment of force before they could get them to the station.

The developments represent the latest phase in the epidemic of strikes which has swept through Spain since the end of November, which has given rise to continual rioting, during which eight have been killed and sixty wounded.

Over a hundred arrests have been made, and the methods of the civil guards in dealing with the strikers have caused considerable resentment and rancour.

ARMY VICTIM OF PNEUMONIA.

DEATH OF C.Q.M.S. MULLENS OF THE ARGYLLS.

20 YEARS' SERVICE.

Through the death which occurred in the Military Hospital this morning of C.Q.M.S. Edward Mullen, the 2nd Batt: Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders has lost one of its most valued and popular Warrant Officers.

C. Q. M. S. Mullen became a victim of pneumonia only a week ago. After a hopeful rally he suffered a relapse from which he did not recover.

He was 39 years of age, and joined the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders in April 1912, thus having nearly twenty years' service to his credit.

During the war he served with his battalion in France, and was awarded the 1914 Star, British War Medal, Victory Medal and long service and good conduct decorations. He had seen service in Bermuda and China.

A keen supporter of all regimental sports, Quartermaster-Sergeant Mullen was highly esteemed by his superiors and colleagues.

He leaves a widow, who is at present in Hongkong, and eight children, and every sympathy will be extended to them in their great bereavement.

The funeral, with full military honours, will take place to-morrow, the cortege passing the Monument at 4.30 p.m. The fife and drum and regimental band will precede the cortege.

DEATH OF BISHOP GORE.

HIGH CHURCH SOCIAL REFORMER.

London, Jan. 18.
The death has occurred of the Right Rev. Charles Gore, at the age of 78 years.

A well-known divine, the late Dr. Gore was raised to the Episcopate in 1902 as Bishop of



Recent developments in Spain bear no resemblance to comic opera. Our picture shows a riot being carried off by friends after a strikers' clash with police.

DEATH PLUNGE INTO MUD.

MANILA FLYING TRAGEDY.

TWO OFFICERS SUFFOCATED.

Manila, Jan. 16.

Crashing into a treacherous shelf of mud on the bay front north of Malabon in a big American bombing plane, two officers stationed at Nichols Field lost their lives yesterday by suffocating in mud when trapped in the cockpit of the plane, and three passengers escaped without injury by crawling from the overturned bomber.

The dead are Lieutenant Raymond C. Zettel and Lieut. Elmer L. McGuire, of the 28th bombing squadron.

It is believed that Zettel, who was at the controls, landed on the beach rather than put the heavy machine down in the water, with more risk to the three men in the rear cockpit.

Salvage Doubtful.

The three men who escaped were Staff Sergeant North, and Corporals Lambert and Plockman, radio operators.

The bomber was buried so deep in the mud that officials are doubtful of salvage possibilities for detachable parts. The almost inaccessible location in which it was found drew scores of spectators to the scene, wading to their hips in mud for 200 yards to get a look at the wreck.

Zettel and McGuire took off from Nichols Field at 5 a.m. bound for the north end of the bay. One of the motors went wrong, and a forced landing was inevitable.

Beach Deceiving.

A wide expanse of apparently firm beach was deceiving in the darkness of early morning. Circling about into the wind and dropping, Zettel took the craft fairly in the centre. With the impact of the left landing wheel the landing gear snapped, the propellers caught and the huge plane somersaulted, landing with its tail pointed in the direction of Manila.

The survivors found sufficient space between the cockpit and surface of the beach to crawl through to safety, badly jarred and shocked, but otherwise safe.

The two pilots were dragged out five hours later by a frantic rescue crew, through a hole dug from the forward end of the plane. The cockpit was filled with mud.

Hands Clasped.

Those who assisted said that Zettel and McGuire had their right hands locked together when they were pulled out—possibly a gesture of farewell when they realized there was no hope of rescue.

Worcester, became first Bishop of Birmingham in 1925, and was translated to Oxford in 1931, resigning eight years later.

A leader of the High Church social reformers, he was an active worker against "sweating" in every form.—*Reuter.*

Moratorium Extension.

Lausanne Then to Adjourn.

London, Jan. 18.

Definitive decisions are most unlikely at the Lausanne Reparations Conference, even if it meets on Monday next as arranged.

While no confirmation is forthcoming from official circles regarding suggestions that a postponement will be decided upon, the portents seem to leave no doubt that the conference, if it meets, will merely mark time and shelve the major issues for several months.

It is reported in a French newspaper that arrangements are already afoot for putting off the Conference for five months as from January 25, but in British Government circles it is stated that, for the moment, they are proceeding on the assumption that existing plans will be carried out.

Main Issues To Be Avoided.

Presuming that the various Ministers attend at Lausanne as contemplated in the British invitation, there is reason to believe that the delegates will be disposed to sidetrack all important issues till the results have been seen of the general election in France and the Presidential election in Germany, and till a rough idea has been obtained of how the Disarmament Conference is progressing.

The doubts will probably be dissipated by M. Laval's declaration of policy in the Chamber to-morrow, when he will seek a vote of confidence in his new Cabinet.

It is very likely that the procedure at Lausanne will be an agreement for an extension of the Hoover Moratorium till December 15 when the next payment by the Allies is due to the United States and then an adjournment until an agreed date.

Anglo-Italian Accord.

The Italian experts, Signora Beneduce and Buti, have left for Rome from London, after having conferred with Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the British Chancellor of the Exchequer, and will probably proceed to Berlin later. They have already discussed matters with financial experts in Paris.

It is understood in political quarters that Italy and Britain are ready to grant Germany a longer moratorium without consulting the United States.

On the other hand, France adamantly declines to forego any of her "sacred rights" before the United States guarantees an equivalent renunciation of her duties.—*Reuter.*

THE FIRST HIKE.

EIGHTEEN STARTERS OF NEW CLUB.

Eighteen members of the newly-formed Hongkong Hiking Association met to participate in a walk yesterday. The party gathered at the Kennedy Road Ferry Tram station, where photographs were taken, and then a route from Bowen Road to Stubbs Road was taken. Here the first halt was called, and three members of the "hike" dropped out owing to other engagements.

The remainder made their way to another point, from which four of the walkers descended by a short cut to Causeway Bay. The other members of the party continued the course to Taikeo Dockyard Club, where refreshments were enjoyed, and the concluding stage, home, was completed by tram.

The "hike" was most successful and was fully enjoyed by the company.

CHINA'S BIG THREE.

FUTURE STILL IN DOUBT.

Shanghai, Jan. 18.

The *China Press* publishes a special message from Hangechow declaring that it is now a practical certainty that Chiang Kai-shek and Wang Ching-wei will go to Nanking as soon as Mr. Hu Han-min (pictured) joins them.

The agreement between the leader of the Kuomintang Left Wing and Chiang Kai-shek resulted from a series of conferences at Hangechow, where Chiang is now staying.

It is learned, however, that Hu Han-min has a cable from Chiang-wei from Hongkong stating that he still needs a rest and cannot leave for Nanking.—*Reuter.*

Hongkong Statement.

Following a long talk between Mr. Yu Yuen, the President of the Control Yuan, and Mr. Hu Han-min at the latter's Stanley residence, Mr. Hu Han-min authorized the publication of the following statement:

"I believe that the most pressing tasks before the Nanking Government are 'Red' bandit suppression and a campaign against the Japanese invasion. The absence of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, Mr. Wang Ching-wei and myself from Nanking will not in any way impede the work of the Central Government, as there are still a large number of responsible leaders at Nanking. I am now suffering from physical illness and need further recuperation. Therefore I cannot go to the capital, at least for the time being."

The Financial Muddle.

Shanghai, Jan. 18.
Mr. Chang Chi, President of the Legislative Yuan, visited Hangechow during the week-end to confer with Chiang Kai-shek concerning the financial muddle and the threat of Shanghai financiers to cut off credits. It is said that Chiang Kai-shek will make an effort to restore the confidence of the financiers regarding the standing of the Government as soon as he returns to Nanking.—*Reuter.*

Police Discoveries.

Mr. T. Murphy (Assistant Director of Criminal Investigation) and Chief Detective Inspector Reynolds later took charge of the investigation.

When Inspector Chester Woods arrived he found the kitchen practically undisturbed. On a table, on which were a number of plates and three pieces of toast, the officer found a breakfast knife bearing blood stains.

There were no signs of anything in the nature of a struggle.

The man, Chau Sim, whose age is given as 18 and who was still in the kitchen when Inspector Chester Woods arrived, was later taken into custody.

It was, he had to be under medical attention for eight days.

Dr. G. M. Foster, medical officer on the Empress of Asia, testified to examining the complainant between 9 and 9.30 p.m. on December 20 and finding him to be suffering from various injuries on the head, ear and shoulders.

Under Detention.

Mr. A. N. Robertson, staff-captain on the Empress of Asia, said the matter was reported to him at 9.30 p.m. on December 20. No action was taken, however, that night, but the next morning the defendants were called before him and the Captain, and after this interview, they were placed under detention for 24 hours as a precautionary measure. They were later released and resumed duty after being told they would be handed over to the police in Hongkong.

Mr. Robertson stated that it was a very serious case, pointing out that the engineer was in the stoke-hold all by himself with the stokers and trimmers, and but for timely assistance, he might have received serious injuries before Europe assistance could reach him.

The case was adjourned.

PEAK TRAGEDY.

COOK STABBED TO DEATH.

AMAH ARRESTED.

The residence of Mr. C. A. L. Rickett at 112, The Peak (Mountain View) off Plum-ketts Road, was the scene of a tragedy this morning when a middle-aged cook in the employ of Mr. Rickett was stabbed to death with a breakfast knife.

The cook, Hau Fat, aged 46, was supposed to be preparing breakfast in the kitchen shortly after 8 o'clock this morning when he was killed.

A young house amah, who is now under arrest in connexion with the affair was the only eyewitness of the stabbing, although the victim's wife, and Mr. Rickett, were on the scene immediately after the fatal blow had been struck.

Commotion in Kitchen.

The deceased's wife, who does not work on the premises but was visiting her husband, was, at the time of the affair, in the servants' quarters in the basement of the house.

A commotion in the kitchen on the ground floor took her upstairs, where she found her husband lying on the floor in a pool of blood. The amah, it is stated, was then supporting him with her arms.

Mr. Rickett also went to the kitchen to discover the cause of the disturbance, but by the time he reached the kitchen, the cook's wife was supporting her husband while the amah was standing by. Mr. Rickett at first thought that the cook was ill and suffering from internal hemorrhage.

Doctor Too Late.

He endeavoured to secure medical aid and communicated with some of the hospitals, including the Government Civil Hospital, and eventually managed to get Dr. J. W. Anderson.

Subsequently, the wife discovered that her husband had been wounded and informed Mr. Rickett accordingly. An examination revealed an injury in the left chest near the heart. A message was then sent to the Police and Inspector Chester Woods, of Gough Hill Police Station, arrived at the house soon afterwards.

He found Dr. Anderson attending to the injured man, who however succumbed to the wound.

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CHINA'S APPEAL TO LEAGUE.
ECONOMIC SANCTIONS TO BE DEMANDED.
JAPANESE REPLY.

Nanking, Jan. 17.
According to a statement made by Mr. Fu Ping-han, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, China has decided to invoke Article Sixteen (Economic Sanctions) at the next meeting of the League Council, on the 26th inst. this action having been approved by the Central Executive Council and the Central Political Council.

Mr. Fu Ping-han added that China would also request the calling of a conference of the signatories of the Nine Power Treaty and indicated that the severance of diplomatic relations with Japan was likely.
Mr. W. W. Yen will be China's chief delegate at the next meeting of the League Council.—*Reuter.*
Article 16 provides that "Should any Member of the League resort to war in disregard of its covenants under Article 12, 13, or 15, it shall upon facts be deemed to have committed an act of war against all other Members of the League, which undertake immediately to subject it to the severance of all trade and financial relations, the prohibition of all intercourse between their nationals and the nationals of the covenant-breaking State, and the prevention of all financial, commercial and personal intercourse between the nationals of the covenant-breaking State and the nationals of any other State, whether a Member of the League or not." It also provides for the recommendation of united military, naval and air force action to enforce a blockade and the declaration that the offending Member shall no longer be a Member of the League.

Latest Bombing.
Geneva, Jan. 16.
"Flagrant violation of solemn undertakings and complete contempt of the Council's resolution," are alleged against Japan in the course of the latest Chinese note complaining that Japanese airmen bombed Pinchow on January 10.—*Reuter.*

Japan's Attitude.
Tokyo, Jan. 16.
Mr. Yoshizawa, this morning, handed Mr. Forbes Japan's reply to Mr. Stimson's recent note. It is coldly polite, the concluding words being:
"It is agreeable to be assured that the United States Government is devoting, in a friendly spirit, such sedulous care to a correct appreciation of the situation."

The note re-affirms the open door policy and refers to the Nine Power Treaty, saying that the present distracted state of China was not contemplated by the high contracting parties at the time of the Washington Treaty, and that although this cannot affect its binding character or the stipulations of the Treaty, it may, in material respect, modify their application, since they must necessarily be applied with reference to facts as they exist.—*Reuter.*

Text of the Note.
The text of the Japanese note, received through the courtesy of the Japanese Consul-General, Hongkong, is as follows:
"I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's Note dated 8th January which has had the most careful attention of this Government.
The Government of Japan were well aware that the Government of the United States could always be relied on to do everything in their power to support Japan's efforts to secure the full and complete fulfilment, in every detail, of the Treaties of Washington and the Kellogg Treaty for the outlawry of war. They are glad to receive this additional assurance of fact.
As regards the question which Your Excellency specifically men-

CANTON STUDENTS.
BIG PARTY ARRIVES AT NANKING.

Nanking, Jan. 17.
One hundred and thirty-six students from Canton have arrived here, and will present various demands to the Government to-morrow.
They want the Government to permit Kwangtung and Kwangsi troops to proceed to Manchuria to take part in the campaign against the Japanese, and also demand the execution within one week of Tu Hsuan-tai, the director of the Canton Public Safety Bureau, who ordered the firing on the students in Canton last November.
These students declare that they will be remaining in Nanking until their demands have been accepted.—*Reuter "Telegraph" Special.*

tions of the policy of the so-called "open door", the Japanese Government, as has so often been stated, regard that policy as a cardinal feature of the politics of the Far East, and only regret its effectiveness is so seriously diminished by the unsettled conditions which prevail throughout China.

In so far as they can secure it the policy of the "open door" will always be maintained in Manchuria as in China proper.

They take note of the statement by the Government of the United States that the latter cannot admit the legality of matters which might impair the treaty rights of the United States or its citizens, or which might be brought about by means contrary to the Treaty of 27th August 1928. It might be the subject of academic doubt whether, in a given case, the impropriety of means necessarily secured, but as Japan has no intention of adopting improper means, that question does not practically arise.

It may be added that treaties which relate to China must necessarily be applied with due regard to the state of affairs from time to time prevailing in that country, and that the present unsettled and distracted state of China is not what was in the contemplation of the high contracting parties at the time of the Treaty of Washington. It was certainly not satisfactory then, but it did not display that disunion and those antagonisms which it does to-day.

This cannot affect the binding character or the stipulations of the treaties, but it may, in material respects, modify their application, since they must necessarily be applied with reference to the state of facts as they exist.

My Government desire further to point out that any replacement which has occurred in the personnel of the administration of Manchuria has been the necessary act of the local population. Even in cases of hostile occupation—which this was not—it is customary for local officials to remain in the exercise of their functions. In the present case they for the most part fled or resigned. It was their own behaviour which was calculated to destroy the working of the apparatus of government.

The Japanese Government cannot think that the Chinese people, unlike all others, are destitute of the power of self-determination and of organizing themselves in order to secure civilized conditions when deserted by existing officials. While it need not be repeated that Japan entertains in Manchuria no territorial aims or ambitions, yet as Your Excellency knows, the welfare and safety of Manchuria and its accessibility for general trade are matters of deepest interest and of quite extraordinary importance to the Japanese people. That the American Government are always alive to the exigencies of Far Eastern questions has already been made evident on more than one occasion.

At the present juncture when the very existence of our national policy is involved, it is agreeable to be assured that the American Government are devoting, in

25 YEARS HERE.
TWO POPULAR GERMAN RESIDENTS.

A large gathering will be at the German Club to-night to congratulate two well-known German residents on the 25th anniversary of their arrival in Hongkong. It was on the 18th of January, 1907, that Mr. L. Svendsen and Mr. R. Johnson, then youngsters, set foot on this island, coming out on the same boat. Since then their ways parted until they both settled with their families in Hongkong. Mr. Johnson now being the head of Messrs. R. Johnson and Co. and Mr. Svendsen one of the managers of Messrs. Deutsche Farben-Handelsgesellschaft. The meeting at the German Club to-night is to extend congratulations and express hearty wishes that these popular members of the German community may further enjoy many successful years in the Colony.

friendly spirit, such sedulous care to the correct appreciation of the situation. I shall be obliged if Your Excellency will transmit this communication to Your Government and I avail etc.

China's Reply.

Washington, Jan. 17.
The Chinese Government replying to Mr. Stimson's Note invoking the Nine Power Pact, has assured the United States that China has no intention of concluding any treaty or agreement contrary to international covenants. It further expresses the hope that the United States will continue to promote and preserve the effectiveness of international covenants.

The reply proceeds to charge Japan with lawless acts and with openly invading Chinese territory, and finally with the violation of the League Covenant, the Nine Power Treaty and the Kellogg Pact.

Official circles are of the opinion that both the Chinese and Japanese replies are "satisfactory."

The United States has not yet been officially advised of the intentions of the other signatories to the Nine Power Pact, except Great Britain and Holland.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Japan and Russia.

Tokyo, Jan. 16.
Mr. Yoshizawa has admitted that Mr. Litvinov sounded him about a non-aggression pact, when he was passing through Moscow on December 31, but the proposal has not yet been submitted to the Cabinet.

The general belief is that Japan will decline, as she considers the Kellogg Treaty, to which both Japan and the Soviet are signatories, is sufficient. Moreover, Japan has no such pact with any other Power, and has no intention of violating Soviet territory.—*Reuter.*

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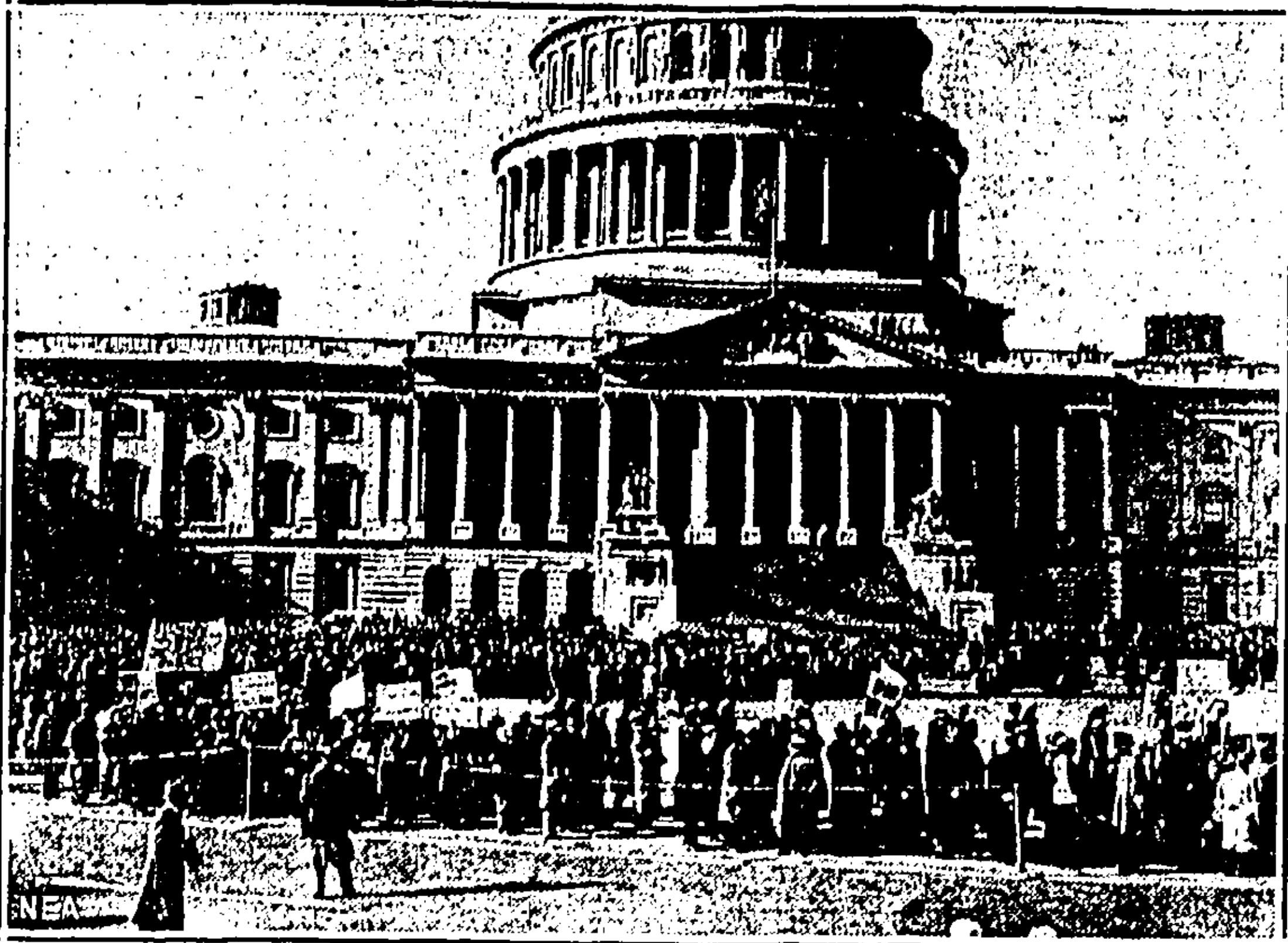
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By Small
WOW! IF YOU'RE GAME, SO'M I! I'LL RUSH RIGHT DOWN AN' GET THE MESSAGE OFF, PRONTO!

UNEMPLOYED DEMONSTRATIONS IN AMERICA: NEW SEARCHLIGHT.



Thousands of unemployed from all over the United States marched on the Capitol at the opening of Congress to demand unemployment insurance legislation. Special precautions were taken to prevent an invasion of the "floor."



Part of Boston's contingent of "hunger marchers" who converged with delegations from other cities in an advance on Washington, is shown above upon leaving the Massachusetts capital. The placard pictured on the truck is typical of the others carried by the unemployment demonstrators.



This is the scene as the American "hunger army," converging upon the capital from the north and west, marched through Washington at noon with banners protesting unemployment conditions and denouncing governmental policies. Motorcycle policemen, as pictured here, cleared traffic for the demonstrators and kept order along the line of march.



Men and women paraded side by side in this throng of hunger marchers who descended upon Washington to agitate for unemployment insurance. Note the comparative youth of many of the demonstrators.

Gems of Peril

Hazel Ross Hailey

BEGIN HERE TODAY

Mary Barkness plots to murder the Fly, who she believes "framed" her brother, Eddie, with the murder of Mrs. Jupiter, and later can Eddie down and kill him. She is aided by Bowen of the Star. Mary's name, Dick Bowser, follows. Eddie gulls on the police who drop the case.

Bruce Jupiter, long absent, returns from Europe with a woman friend. His father orders him out and makes Mary his heir. Bruce returns, vowing to root Mary, who he thinks is a gold-digger.

Dick forbids Mary to see Bowen or anything this investigation. He says if she goes to Miami on the Jupiter yacht he will believe Bruce's charges. Mary goes because Bowen tells her The Fly may be at Miami when his horse runs. Dick shows attention to his former sweetheart, Cornelia Tabor.

Mary is introduced to Count De Loma. De Loma is later the owner of The Fly's horse. She sees De Loma and Cornelia Tabor. Bruce's friend, in secret conversation, she also learns that Mr. Jupiter has a car of the same make as that which the murderer used in his getaway and which later killed Eddie.

CHAPTER XXXII

The tall young man stood shyly turning his huge Panama hat in his big, sunburned hands, and looking down at Mary with ill-concealed interest.

He spoke in a soft, southern voice that was somehow reassuring.

"Mist' Jupiter sent me to fetch you," he said. "He's waiting out at the Hilltop Inn and he cert'ly is mighty anxious to see you!"

His half-embarrassed grin was boyish and ingratiating, and Mary found herself smiling back and ready to go with him, before she thought to ask, "Which Mr. Jupiter?"

"I don't know that, ma'am," the young man responded regretfully. "He never said. Just Mist' Jupiter, ma'am, was all he told me."

"Young or old?" Mary asked. "Describe him."

"Well, he's gettin' on, but he's mighty peart for an old man, yes suh!"

Mary laughed. "I guess it's all right," she said. "You see, he has a son. Was there anybody with him? Did he give you any idea what he wanted to see me about?"

On second thought, it did seem rather odd that Mr. Jupiter should set out from the hotel without having made any effort to see her, and then suddenly decide that an interview was necessary. Something must have happened—

"He's all by himself," the stranger said. "Seems like he left his party and went off like that so's he could have a private conversation with you, ma'am. And if you don't mind hurrying—he was in a powerful hurry, ma'am—if you don't mind."

"Just one second," Mary bade him wait, and hurried back to the dining-room to tell Bowen.

"Hey, hey, I'm going with you!" Bowen announced.

They argued over it, Mary holding that they must not be seen together—on the general theory that to The Fly a newspaperman's presence

in the group would be like a signpost pointing to trouble, and in particular because of Bowen's stories on the Jupiter murder and his presence at Shay's the night an attempt was made to arrest The Fly.

"You can't go off with a man you never saw before," Bowen told her. "How do you know it's not a trap?"

Mary considered. "Any way, what good would you be against two of them? My one-man army!" She tapped him on the shoulder with mock dignity. "No, you stay here. I'll call you and let you know everything's all right."

"All right. Call me here," he gave her a telephone number. "That's my club." He winked. "Ask 'em to call me to the phone. I'm a drugstore. I'd rather fill up on sodas than weak tea while I'm waiting. And listen, woman, I'm going to get grey around the temples waiting to hear from you. So don't forget!"

"I won't. And remember, if you don't hear from me—the Hilltop Inn. Bring the U. S. Marines and hurry to the rescue!"

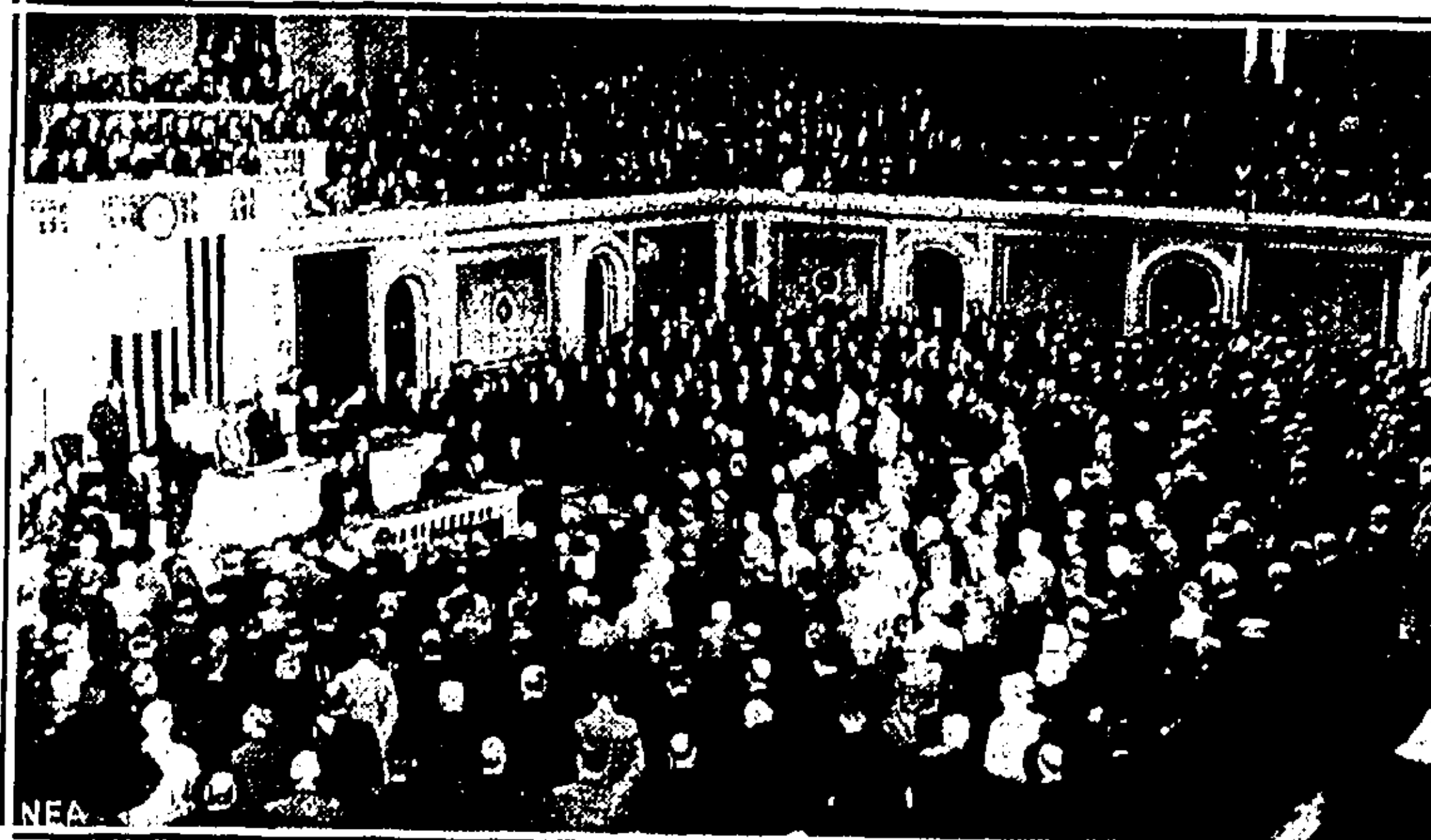
Unconsciously she had begun to adopt Bowen's kidding attitude—somehow it made things easier. Battered by her courage, in fact, to be facetious in the face of almost certain danger. For she had made up her mind that if the man who had sent for her did in fact turn out to be De Loma she would not run, but bluff it through somehow. It would really be a relief if things came to a climax at once.

She got into the front seat of a dusty, nondescript little car beside the tall young man, and thought of nothing but keeping her seat and holding to her floppy sun-hat while they tore at a breakneck speed out the coast road, and along the shore.

The Hilltop Inn was not imposing . . . in fact, it was nothing more than a glorified quick-lunch stand, surrounded on all sides by a broad screened verandah on which were bare wooden tables and chairs. At one of these, before she climbed out of the car, Mary caught sight of the stout, white-clad but slightly wilted figure of old Mr. Jupiter, impatiently mopping his brow. What joyful relief that it was he!

The young man toolled his car into the side-yard and helped her alight. Even as he greeted her, Mr. Jupiter rapped on the screen and called out, "Don't go way there, son! I got another errand for you in a little while!"

The young man nodded, got out and went over to the soda stand, and climbed indolently upon a stool, prepared to wait. He was well out



This picture shows the opening session of the 72nd Congress in America. It has begun by flouting President Hoover over war debts and seeking the impeachment of Mr. Mellon.

of hearing.

"It's all-fired hot to bring you all the way out here, Mary," the old man apologized, "but I got some things on my mind that I've just naturally got to talk over with you. Don't seem as if we get much chance lately."

"This was putting it mildly, Mary thought. "Where are the others?" "I told 'em to let me out and go on." He mopped his damp brow. "I've had about enough of this Florida climate for one day. But that wasn't it. I wanted to get back to town and have a word with you. We stopped this here feller going in the opposite direction, and he said he'd take me back to the hotel, so they went on—Bruce and Bates, and—her."

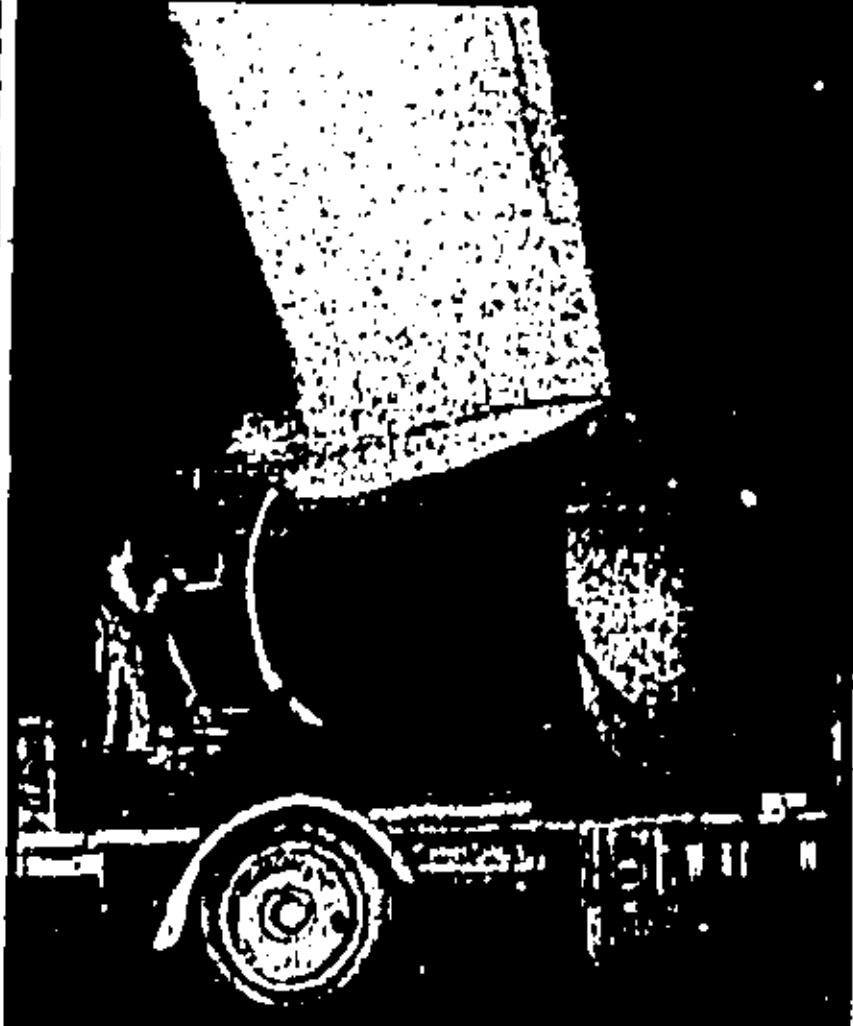
"However, I changed my mind soon as I got out of their hearing, and made him stop here, instead. Be just like Bruce to turn around and go back to the hotel to make certain nobody was taking the gold filling out of my teeth while he wasn't looking. I didn't want to be interrupted."

"Now, here's the first thing: you know anything about that De Loma chap that we met last night?"

"Plenty," Mary said grimly. "Why?"

"You don't have to tell me he's a bad one," the old man growled. "I ain't lived to be nearly 70 without knowing a rotten egg when I smell one. You know what I think? It wouldn't surprise me none if De Loma wasn't the guy we're looking for!"

A cold chill crept down the girl's spine at this uncanny perception. It was almost supernatural! Her eyes smarted with quick tears for a second. They thought he was a back number, did they? Well, either it was a miraculous sort of prescience that had warned the old man of the presence of his enemy or a simple caniness that was more awesome still. And with this suspicion in



Our picture shows the mobility of the new British searchlight, the largest in the world, which describes a draught board on the sky and makes it impossible for hostile aircraft picked up to escape.



Frederick O'Brien, famous author of "White Shadows of the South Seas" and other books of the south Pacific islands, whose death is reported.

his mind, he had still acted the senile innocent, and fooled everybody! She wanted to hug him for very admiration.

"He is The Fly," she said. "We're as sure of it as we can possibly be. I've been wanting to tell you—and afraid to. It's awful, when you think about it—that there he sits—he has the audacity to eat—and drink—and—and breathe—oh!"

She must not think of it—that was perilous! And to go on in that strain might undermine the old man's self-control, too.

Jupiter cleared his throat. "Now, here's another thing," he said, leaning his elbows on the table and laying the indexfinger of his right hand in the palm of his left. He was making a hard and very successful effort to be practical and not give way to emotion at this time, though the girl could not

guess that. She marvelled at his calmness.

"You know," he began, "or—rather, you don't know, because they don't anybody know but just me and one or two others, that there's a Lorimer car belongs to me."

Mary's eyes widened at this revelation. It was the very thing she wanted most to know about, but she had choked on the question whenever opportunity arose to ask it.

"I had Tom buy it for me. I kept it secret. Bound to be talk if I bought any car not put out by the Jupiter Motor Company, and I thought it was just as well not to

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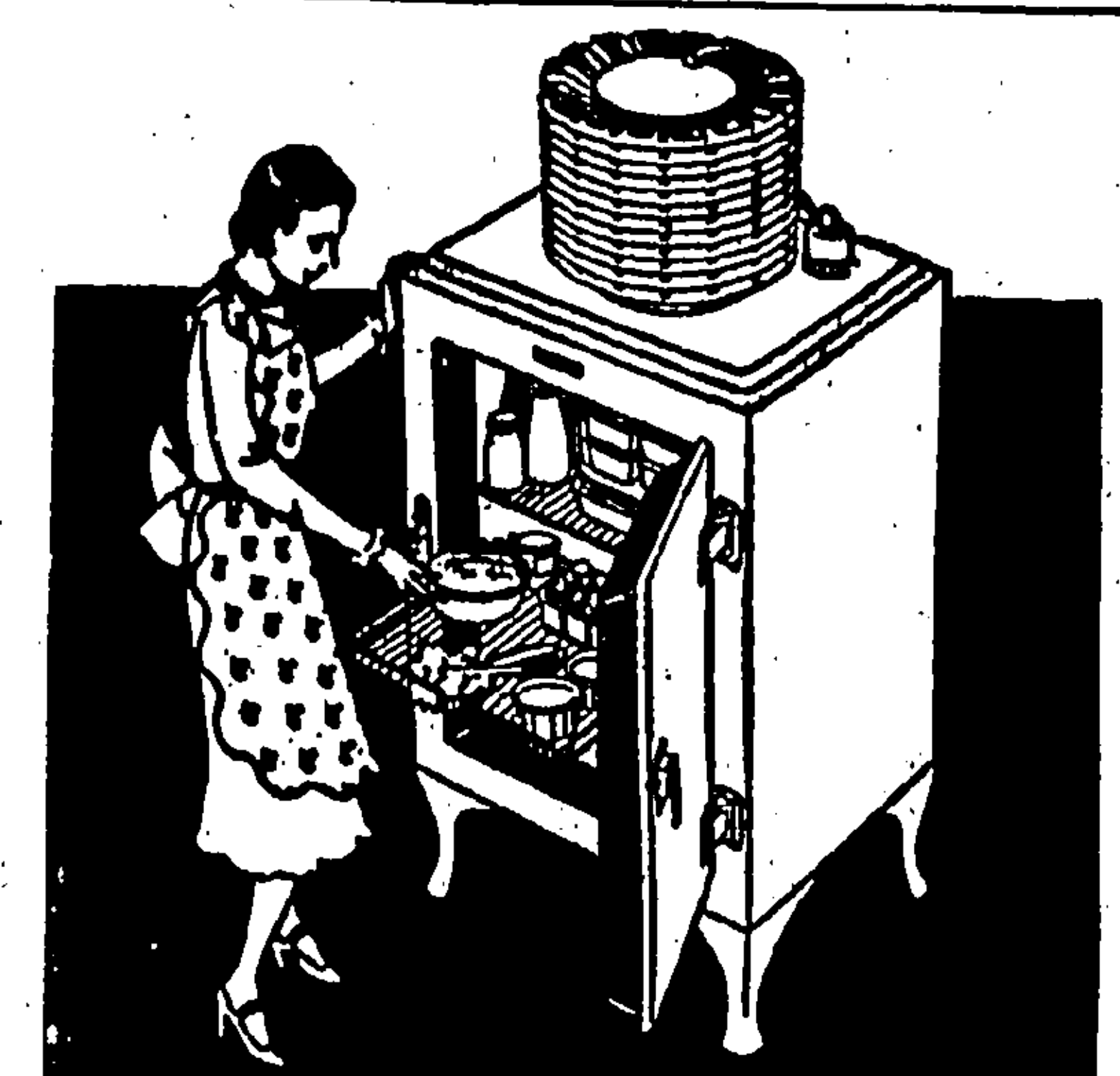
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'ERA OF SAVAGERY' PASSING.

A reply to critics of his recent pronouncements on birth control was made at the Leeds Assizes by Mr. Justice McCardie.

His lordship also referred to what he called the passing of "the era of savagery" in connection with charges of wilful murder in abortion cases.

Passing sentence of seven months' imprisonment on Lily Scruton (48), of Sheffield, who pleaded guilty to the manslaughter of a young married woman, and to an attempt to procure abortion, the Judge said:

"It is quite clear that at the time you made the attempt the woman was already suffering from grave physical trouble. But for that trouble she would not have died."

"You are technically guilty of manslaughter; you have also admitted an offence against the present law of abortion. In the first place, you were charged with wilful murder. The very last thing that you desired was the death of the woman at whose request you acted and, yet, a charge of wilful murder was made against you."

"Memorandum to Nation."

Speaking with deliberation, the Judge continued:

"Such a charge illustrates, in my opinion, the ignorance and brutality with which the law of abortion is too often administered, and it is plain to me that many of those who seek to uphold the present law of abortion are wholly ignorant of the grave social problems which not only beset but menace the nation at the present time."

"In this case the woman, now dead, did not wish for another child. She already had three children of the ages of six, five and three years. The husband wanted a child, but it was the wife who had to undergo the burden and the fear of child-bearing."

"I repeat once more that this case illustrates the need for a far wider extension of birth-control knowledge than at present exists."

"Mother and Child," his lordship added, "that a woman should be forced to bear a child against her will, I am glad that, in the present case, the jury threw out the charge of wilful murder, and I hope that the era of savagery in connection with these cases is drawing to an end."

He referred to the fact that Scruton had been in prison for five months under the charge of wilful murder and that she was alleged to have practised abortion for charges of 4s. 6d. and 5s. 6d.

"They are very significant figures taken in connection with the social problem I have stated. But they demonstrate also that you were never guilty of extortion or blackmail."

In conclusion the judge said: "In view of the fact that you have already spent five months in prison, and having regard to the charge of wilful murder—a wholly unfounded charge from a moral point of view—I shall sentence you to a further period of seven months' imprisonment."

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CHARLES THE FIRST & SUNDAY SPORT.

St. Albans, Dec. 20.
Whether dog-racing was known in the days of Charles I. was a point raised at St. Albans, when 22 men were summoned under the Lord's Day Observance Act of 1925 for

"Assembling out of their parish for the purpose of sport and pastime at St. Peter's, St. Albans." The men were each fined 3s. 4d., the statutory amount, "to be employed for the use of the poor of the parish," and £1. 15s. costs. The magistrates agreed to state a case.

Twelve magistrates, including three women, were on the Bench. Of the 22 defendants 21 were bookmakers, and the other was the licensee of the field. Mr. Walter Frampton, prosecuting, said that the Act decreed that a person must not take part in any sport or pastime outside that person's parish, and must not take part in any unlawful exercise within the parish.

There was a field in the parish of St. Peter's on the Hatfield-St. Albans main road. A lease of the field was taken from last December by the defendant, Frederick Furr, who lived at Tilehouse-street, Hatfield.

What The Dogs Chased.

The field had been used on Thursdays and Sundays for dog racing. On Dec. 6 police visited the field and found 250 people there. The defendants came from Luton, London, Hertford, Wendstone, Stourbury, Watford, St. Albans and Kettering.

Superintendent Sharp stated that in each race four or six dogs "chased something."

Mr. E. O'Connor (defendant): "Did you notice what they were chasing?"

The Superintendent: It looked to me to be a very large beetroot tied to a rope. (Laughter.)

Mr. O'Connor explained that the dogs were chasing a football with a ball of paper enclosed in a rabbit-skin as a trailer.

"Why did you pitch on bookmakers?" he asked the superintendent. "Do you say that every one who goes to dog races on a Sunday outside his parish is liable to be prosecuted?"

"Yes," replied the officer.

In The Time of Charles I.
Mr. O'Connor contended that the prosecution had to prove that dog racing was a sport and pastime, and was known in the reign of Charles I.

"It is astounding," he continued, "that Charles I. should have ever contemplated dogs chasing a football to which a rabbit skin round a ball of paper was attached."

Mr. Frampton replied that dog racing was a sport in the time of Charles I.

After the magistrates had imposed fines the 21 bookmakers had to answer further summonses charging them with using a field for illegal betting, and Mr. Furr was summoned for permitting illegal betting.

The cases of Frederick Furr and Alfred Jakin, of Hitchin-road, Luton, a bookmaker, were proceeded with, and the solicitors asked, if the magistrates thought there was a case, that the defendants should be committed for trial.

Mr. Frampton said it was an offence for anyone to use "a place" for the purpose of betting. On the course there were a number of sleepers. Each bookmaker stood upon a stool on the sleepers. He remained in that position the entire afternoon.

The two defendants were committed for trial at the Herts. Quarter Sessions in January.

The summonses against the other men were adjourned sine die.

BANK MANAGER'S JUMP FROM WINDOW.

"INTENSE MENTAL STRAIN."

A verdict of suicide while of unsound mind was returned at the inquest at Paddington on Mr. Eric McConnan, aged between 35 and 40, manager of the Strand (London) branch of the National Bank of Australia, Limited, who was found dying on the pavement outside his apartments in Courtfield-gardens, Kensington, early on a recent Thursday morning.

He was in evening dress, having given a bridge party a few hours before.

Evidence was given that apparently he had jumped from an upper window.

The coroner said that Mr. McConnan had written a letter in which he said: "I may get some help towards sleeping by writing to you. I have not been sleeping well and to-day off and on have had peculiar pains in the head. Once or twice I got very frightened. My head felt very funny."

"I believe he got terrified at going to his room," he said, "and thought he was going to lose his reason. I think he yielded to a sudden impulse in a moment of intense mental strain and anxiety and ended his life."

LABOUR PARTY'S FUTURE.

A CHEERFUL VIEW.

I take a cheerful view of the Labour Party's future prospects. My close contact with the rank and file of our movement assures me that our people are in excellent spirits and confident of a speedy recovery from the set-back of the election.

Our immediate steps towards revival in London are by energetic co-operation with the National body in a great New Year's push.

The London Labour Party have approved in principle of a comprehensive plan of propaganda and education, by public meetings, lectures on modern Socialism, study circles, speakers' classes and classes in the technique of electioneering, to secure increase not only of quantity, but especially of quality in membership.

We have suffered largely in the past because we have been misrepresented and misunderstood. We have passed the stage where Socialism was supposed to imply Atheism and Free Love; but the idea persists that it means State Department Nationalism with more or less corrupt politicians in control of industry.

We are out to teach that the essential basis of Socialist doctrine is national organisation of industry and finance with the twin object of efficiency and public service.

The old nineteenth century idea of universal nationalisation by State departments is dead.

Modern Socialism certainly insists on public ownership wherever practicable and expedient, but it does not propose to start nationalising small trades and shops. That would solve no problems. Nor would nationalisation of industry without efficiency of management.

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Banking.

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I know my London, and I know that for same Socialism, intelligent by explained, we can win and hold a majority of seats in Parliament and the London County Council.—MR. HERBERT MORRISON.

JUDGE CRITICISES A MINISTRY.

ELECTRIC CABLES OVER LAND.

In a test case in the King's Bench Division Mr. Justice Macnaghten decided that the Minister of Transport was wrong in claiming that he had the right to assess the compensation payable to landowners over whose land electric lines are erected compulsorily under the Electricity Supply Act, 1919.

The matter arose out of opposition by Willey Estates Company and two other Shropshire landowners to the compensation fixed by the Minister.

They maintained that under the Acquisition of Land Act they were entitled to have the compensation assessed by an official arbitrator.

Mr. Justice Macnaghten said the case illustrated the mischief of imposing on a Minister of the Crown judicial or quasi-judicial duties.

It cannot be supposed, he said, that the Minister can assess the compensation. He would be obliged to delegate the matter to officials.

Behind the other's Back

In the present case the clerk to the West Midlands Joint Electricity Authority wrote to the secretary of the Ministry of Transport urging, for reasons set out, that the Ministry ought to reject the claim of the defendants for any compensation greater than that which the authority was willing to give.

I presume, said the judge, that the clerk would have realised the impropriety of addressing any such communication behind the back of the other side to any judicial or quasi-judicial tribunal such as an arbitrator.

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For	Per	Date and Time
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Japan, Canada, U.S.A., "C" and "South America and Europe via Vancouver B.C."	Hiye Maru	Mon., Jan. 18.

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Shanghai and Europe via Siberia
Hiye Maru Mon., Jan. 18.
Registration 5 p.m.
Letters 6 p.m.
Manila, Macassar and Sourabaya
Tjibadak Tues., Jan. 19, 9.30 a.m.

Porthos Tues., Jan. 19.
K.P.O.
Registration 10th 10 a.m.
Letters 10th 10 Noon.
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Registration 10th 11.45 a.m.
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Pres. Jackson Tues., Jan. 19.
Parcels 10th Noon.
Registration 10th 1.45 p.m.
Letters 10th 2.30 p.m.
(Due San Francisco, 9th February.)
Kutsang Tues., Jan. 19, 5 p.m.
Sandyken Tues., Jan. 19, 5 p.m.

Amoy
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles
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K.P.O.
Registration 10th 4.30 p.m.
Letters 10th 4.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Registration 10th 5 p.m.
Letters 10th 6 p.m.
(Due Marseilles, 18th February.)

Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia
Athos II Wed., Jan. 20, 2.30 p.m.
Hoihow and Haiphong
Mindao Maru Thurs., Jan. 21, 8.30 a.m.
Sandakan
Yusang Fri., Jan. 22, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow
Hui Ning Fri., Jan. 22, 2 p.m.
Manila
Emp. of Canada Fri., Jan. 22, 3.30 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia
Haruna Maru Fri., Jan. 22, 3.30 p.m.
Japan, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and Europe via Victoria B.C.
Pres. Jefferson Fri., Jan. 22.
Parcels Jan. 22, 3 p.m.
Reg. Jan. 22, 4.15 p.m.
Letters Jan. 22, 5 p.m.
(Due Victoria B.C. 9th February.)

Shanghai and Europe via Siberia
Pres. Jefferson Fri., Jan. 22.
Reg. Jan. 22, 5 p.m.
Letters Jan. 22, 6 p.m.
(Due Marseilles, 18th February.)

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles
Hakozaki Maru Fri., Jan. 22.
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Registration 22nd 4.30 p.m.
Letters 22nd 4.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Registration 22nd 5 p.m.
Letters 22nd 6 p.m.
(Due Marseilles 20th February)

Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island
Kamo Maru Sat., Jan. 23.
Reg. 8.45 a.m.
Letters 9.30 a.m.
(Due Thursday Island 4th Feb.)
Manila
Pres. Monroe Sat., Jan. 23, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow
Hozan Maru Sun., Jan. 24, 9 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles
Halyang Tues., Jan. 26, 1 p.m.

Chitral Sat., Jan. 30.
K.P.O.
Parcels Jan. 29, 4.30 p.m.
Reg. Jan. 30, 9 a.m.
Letters Jan. 30, 10 a.m.
G.P.O.
Parcels Jan. 29, 5 p.m.
Reg. Jan. 30, 9.45 a.m.
Letters Jan. 30, 10.30 a.m.
(Due Marseilles, 20th February)

*Superscribed Correspondence only.

He obviously did not see any thing improper in writing such a letter to the Ministry. Whether that letter did or did not influence the man who had to decide the matter was quite immaterial. He held that the defendants were right in maintaining that their claims had to be assessed by an official arbitrator. He entered judgment in their favour with costs.

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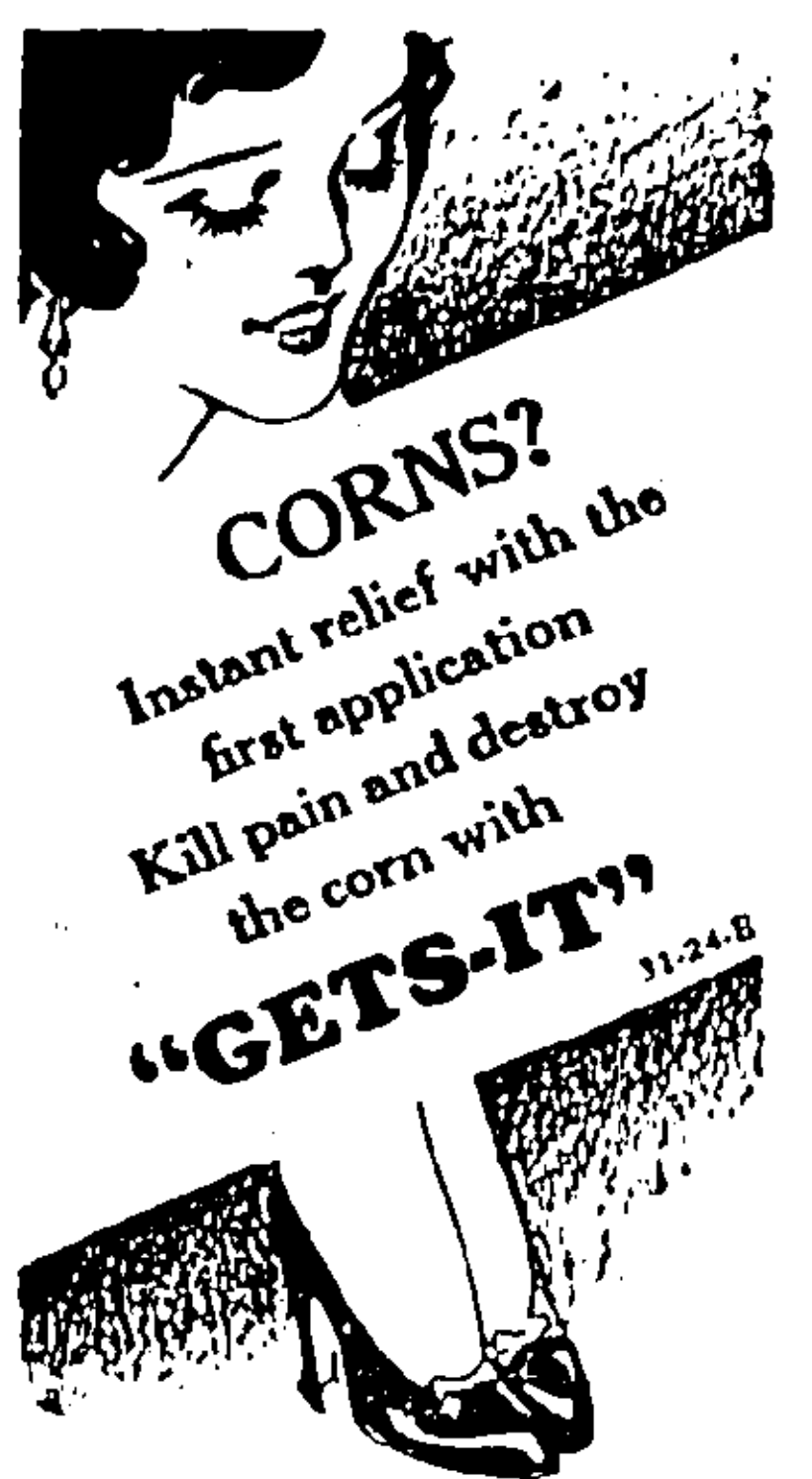
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MARKET.TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME OF
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market opened with a subdued tone,
but prices were unaltered.

Sales.
Banks, \$1,420.
Trams, \$22½.
Cement (combined), \$19½.
Ewos, Tls. 16.
Electric, \$78.10.
Providents (old), \$6.35.

Buyers.
Benguet, \$11.35.
Hotels (old), \$5.10.
Ewos, Tls. 16.
Singapore Tractions, 3/-.
Sincere, \$16.
H.K. Government Loan, \$2½.
Providents (old), \$6.30.
Providents (new), \$2.40.
China Estates, \$35.
China Lights, \$26.50.
Ropes, \$17½.
Constructions (new), 1.80.

Sellers.
Indo-China (Prof.), \$45.
Indo-China (Def.), \$32.
Electric, \$79.
Entertainments (old), \$16½.
Ranks, \$39.
H.K. Lands, \$82½.
Dairy Farms, \$30.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local
share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Banks, \$1,420 n.
Chartered Banks, \$11½ n.
Mercantile A. and B., \$17½ n.
East Asia, \$128 n.

Insurances.
Canton Ins., \$1,350 n.
Union Ins., \$407½ n.
China Underwriters, \$4.60 n.
China Fires, \$650 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$1,250 n.

Shipping.
Doughses, \$27½ b.
H.K. Steamboats, \$24 n.
Indo-China, (Prof.) \$45 s.
Union Waterboats, \$25 n.

Mining.
Benguet, \$11.35 b.
Kadans, \$27½ n.
Shui Explorations, Tls. 2.70 n.
Ranks, \$39 s.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$159 n.
Whampoa Docks, \$29 n.
South China Motors, \$10 n.
Providents (old), \$6.30 b.
Hongkew, Tls. 220 n.
New Engineers, Tls. 6½ n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 91 n.

Cottons.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 16 b.
Shanghai Cottons, Tls. 78 n.
Zoon Sings, Tls. 11½ n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H.K. S. Hotels (old), \$15.10 b.
H.K. S. Hotels (new), \$14.90 b.
H.K. Lands, \$82.75 s.
Shui Lands, Tls. 30 n.
Humphreys, \$19 n.
Realities, \$12.15 n.

Public Utilities.
Tramways, \$22.50 n.
Peak Trams, (old), \$15.60 n.
Star Ferries, \$96½ n.
China Lights, \$26.50 b.
H.K. Electric, \$79 s.
Macao Electric, \$23 n.
Telephones, \$43 n.
China Buses, Tls. 16 n.
Singapore Tractions, 3/- b.

Industrials.
Malabons, \$39 n.
Canton Ice, \$6½ b.
Cementa (com.), \$19.50 b.
Ropes, \$17½ b.

Stores, etc.
Dairy Farms, \$30 s.
Watsons, \$15.90 n.
Der A. Wings, \$1 n.
Lane Crawfords, \$6.50 n.
Machintosh, \$19 n.
Sincere, \$16 b.
Powells, \$3.50 b.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$19.90 n.
Entertainments (old), \$16½ s.
Constructions, (old), \$6.55 n.
S. C. Enterprises, \$10 n.
Constructions (new), \$1.80 b.
B. Ind. G. & Bonds, \$58½ n.
Loans, \$2½% b. Prem.

WOMEN'S WORLD
FOR OUR LADY READERS.

BEAUTY HINTS.

[By Alicia Hart.]

Cleanliness is almost as closely re-
lated to beauty as it is to godliness.
No matter how attractive your
features may be, if they aren't
scrupulously clean, there is going to
be a grey dimness over them.

So, first of all, as you make ready
for the winter gayeties, wash your
face. Scrub it. Don't be afraid
that you are too hard on it. It
needs friction.

The air is filled with all sorts of
dust and oil particles that your
grandmother didn't have to combat
when she used her luscious soaps.
Therefore, you are going to
need special soaps and creams.

Some people prefer liquid clean-
ers. Others want soapy lather
and lots of warm water. Not hot
water. It isn't good for your skin.
Don't be afraid that you are using
too much soap. There is a magic
effect in driffts of creamy lather
that are applied one after the
other.

If you are annoyed with black-
heads perhaps use of a cleansing
meal will help. If your skin is slug-
gish too, there is something in the
friction that will aid in revitalizing
it. Almond meal is good, and corn-
meal, which is found in almost
everybody's cupboard, can be com-
bined with buttermilk to serve this
purpose.

Complexion Brushes.

Complexion brushes are excep-
tionally good for the face. Be sure
that you buy a complexion brush,
though, instead of thinking that any
brush will do. Scrubbing your face
is essential but you don't want to
pull off the skin, you know. Be
firm, but careful.

With complexion brushes you will
wants lots of foamy lather, and you
will be surprised at the manner in
which your sluggish circulation will
get to work when the brush begins
its work. You will fairly feel the
blood tingling, and when that
happens you may rest assured that
the dirt is simply vacating the pores.

After your exercise with the
brush is finished, bathe your face
in warm water. Then use cold
water. Lots of it. Splash it on
and feel vivid and sparkling again.
If ice is accessible, wrap a small
piece in a towel or wash cloth and
brush your face with it.

That shining countenance that we
used to hear about is certainly
worth having, but it has to have a
clean foundation.

A Dainty Hanky.



A new white chiffon even-
ing handkerchief is edged
with black chantilly lace
arranged in box pleats.

BLACK VELVET AND WHITE BEADS.



[By Joan Savoy.]

Party dresses should reflect gaiety. They should sparkle
and shine, this year, like snow crystals under candle light.
They should flatter a girl until she doesn't have to stand
under the mistletoe.

Nothing is smarter this season than the black-white com-
bination in evening things. Especially in dinner dresses
this elegant combination of light and dark affords full play
for all kinds of subtle sophisticated effects that are dear to
the heart of a woman.

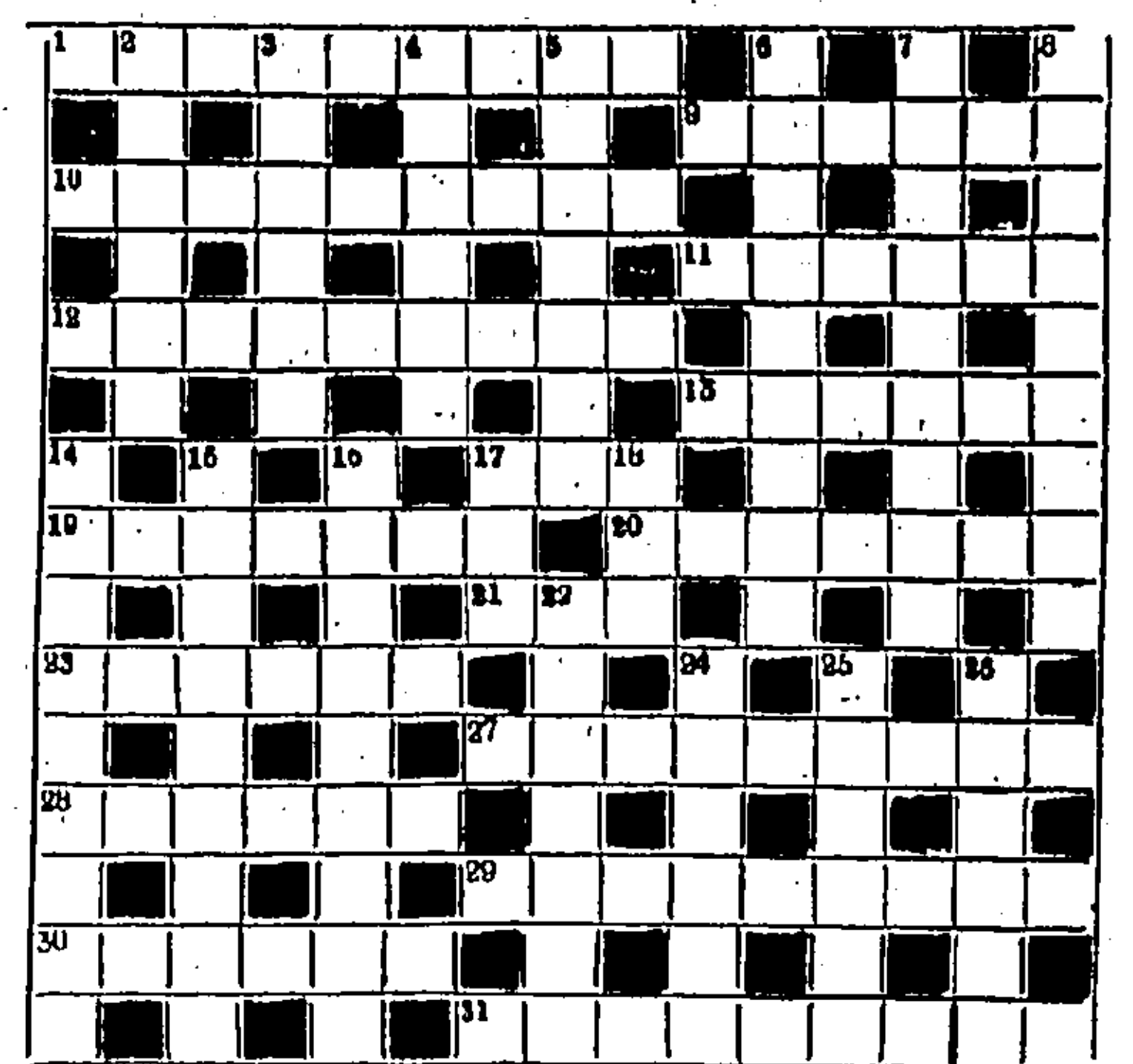
Black Velvet and White Beads.

One of the most seductive gowns is a combination of black
velvet skirt and white beaded waist. It has a lovely fitted
line until knee length. Its skirt curves into a fitted waist and
runs on up to a slightly higher-than-waist-line effect which
is lovely on a woman with a figure built for it.

The dainty little blouse portion is of twinkling, glinting
white beads that shimmer and shine and make a most
effective foil for lovely shoulders and arms. There is an
intricate design to the beads of this blouse portion that is
seemingly so casual. It fits the figure perfectly, with just
that touch of cowl neckline softness that is so becoming.

There is a tiny belt of the black velvet, with a diminutive
bow of the same right in front. And the flaring black
velvet skirt sweeps the floor in regal manner that so
delights the young.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 I expect Mussolini got full marks for this at school.
- 9 The last vehicle one desires to ride in.
- 10 A footman tucked up for the night reminds one of Susan.
- 11 To which many a boarding trust by way of a change.
- 12 Polite epithet for most of the English weather.
- 13 An archaic prayer.
- 17 A slave will hold this form of moisture.
- 19 Another fine fellow in bed going up in smoke.
- 20 Game point.
- 21 Suggested in clue to 10 across.
- 23 Meteor (anag.).
- 27 Arrest. "Rumble?"
- 28 Special sort of shed.
- 29 Prince of the evil spirits.
- 30 You have no doubt met this French town before between North and South.
- 31 A way without a will.

Down

- 2 You'll find permanent waves here in all directions.
- 3 Get to grips with the ropes.
- 4 Light measures we find heavy enough.
- 5 A big ship.
- 6 It's taking a risk to surround an Italian town.
- 7 There is nothing false about this outfit, but it does sound so true the other way.
- 8 Wherever you travel, he'll take your notes.

your notes.

- 14 On such a day, the iron might appear appropriate if carelessly used.
- 15 Stable with a part of the horse inside.
- 16 Represented, but apparently had times for the trailing representative.
- 17 "Isn't it a bit soon to ring Otto up?" (hidden).
- 18 She took her husband's part from the start.
- 22 An indefinite number.
- 24 Phase in a salmon's life.
- 25 I always prefer it to precede the blow.
- 26 This it not fair.

Saturday's Solution.

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HYPER-SENSITIVE
WIFE.FAILURE OF DOCTOR'S
DIVORCE SUIT.

A doctor cited a barrister as cor-
respondent in a divorce suit which
came before Lord Merrivale re-
cently.

The petition was dismissed, as
was also a cross-petition by the
wife alleging cruelty.

The doctor was Dr. Oliver Fran-
cis Conoley, medical officer of a
group of estates at Lower Purnak,
Malaya. He petitioned for divorce
on the ground of his wife's alleged
adultery with Mr. John Vickers
Naisby, a barrister, at her flat in
Dorset-square. Both Mrs. Conoley
and Mr. Naisby denied adultery and
Dr. Conoley denied his wife's al-
legation of cruelty.

Lord Merrivale said the evidence
hinged largely on the sharing of a
common sitting-room at Dorset-
square. The proprietor of the
boarding house, Herman French,
had spoken of whispering late at
night, but he gave no date or time
and any less convincing evidence of
adultery he (Lord Merrivale) did
not think he had ever heard.

A maid named Pike had spoken
of occasions when Mrs. Conoley
and Mr. Naisby entered the sitting-
room in their night attire, but Mrs.
Conoley and Mr. Naisby had given
their evidence with great frankness
and clearness and had explained
those incidents to his satisfaction.

Adultery had been disproved and
the petition failed.

DIRECTOR OF FRENCH
MISSION SOCIETY.MGR. DE GUEBRIANT VISITS
FAR EAST.

On a visit to the French
missions in the Far East,
Monsieur J. Bte. de Guebriant,
Director General of the Societe
de Missions Etrangeres arrived
in Hongkong on Saturday by the
steamer Tonkin, and will remain
here for a few days. Already he
has visited the Missions in Indo-
China, and will shortly leave for
Canton and Swatow.

Mgr. de Guebriant will then
return to Tonkin and from there
will travel to Yunnanfu, Szechuen
and up the Yangtze to Shanghai,
from where he will go to Japan,
Korea and Manchuria, returning
to Europe by way of Siberia.

Mgr. de Guebriant is no
stranger to the Far East, having
been a missionary in Szechuen for
many years. He was Vicar
Apostolic at Ningyuanfu in that
province and later at Canton.
He was elected Director General
of the Foreign Mission Society in
1921 and re-elected for a further
term of 10 years, last year.

During his stay in Hongkong he
will be at Pokfulam.

As to the cross-petition alleging
cruelty, Lord Merrivale said there
was not sufficient proof and it must
be dismissed. The cruelty alleged
was not of a physical kind and the
wife was hyper-sensitive and tem-
peramental.

Costs were awarded to Mrs.
Conoley and Mr. Naisby was dis-
missed from the suit with costs.

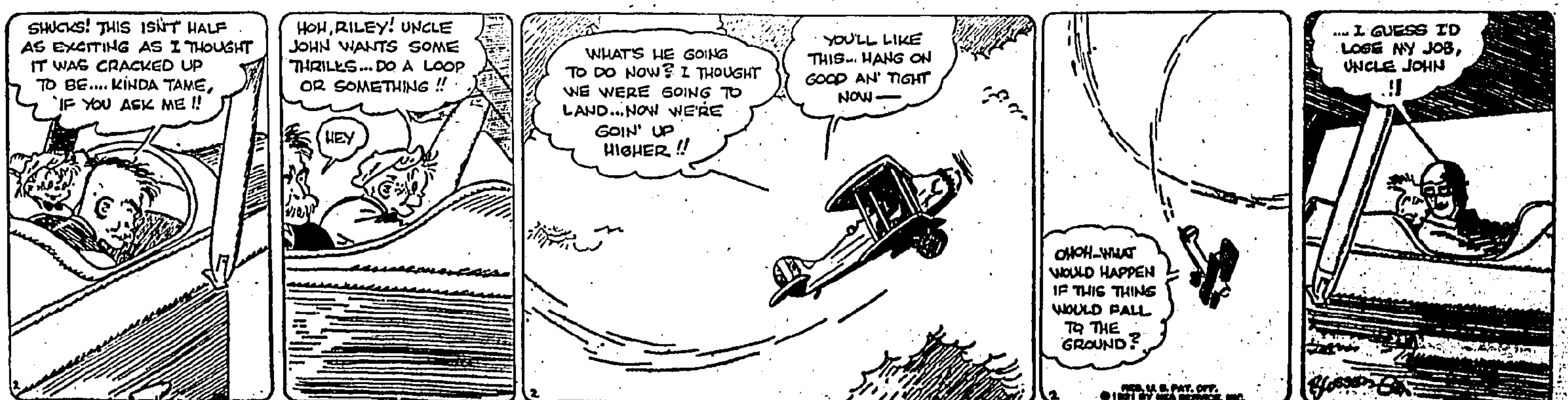
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MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 1932.

**SOME CONSTITUTIONAL
PROBLEMS.**

When the late Nanking Government was formed, Wang Ching-wei had it as a step in the threefold programme of the Government to change a free country by a constitution in the hands of the people. This is a noble aim in the claim, though it may be difficult to achieve. The Canton party, by setting up a separate Government, alienating the revenues, making its own laws and putting an army in the field, were undoubtedly in rebellion against the Central Government, and to this extent Mr. Wang's claim would seem difficult to substantiate. Against these considerations, however, are to be set the facts that the army did not fight, and that as a result of the "Peace Conference" a new Central Government was appointed by negotiation. The whole affair may eventually have educative value for democracy. In the meantime, however, it threatens to prove lamentably ineffective and the theory prove to be very doctrinaire. It is doctrinaire because it proceeds without reference to the major political realities of the time. These we take to be four: the Japanese menace, the growth of organised Communism, the imperative need to liquidate the militarist debt, the necessity of a strong Central Government.

Of these, the Japanese menace is the most urgent, but it is the more empirical. It has just happened. But practical politicians, while they keep their eyes on ideal ends, must solve the immediate and unexpected problem: they must save the State, if they are to have a State in which to work out their ideals. The growth of Communism is more integrally allied to constitutionalism, because it opposes a rival theory of the State. It is, too, a legacy from the Kuomintang flirtation with Bolshevism. As a rival theory of the State, Communism is a problem not for China alone, but for all civilised countries. It will have both to be considered and argued as well as fought; and in the fighting it will win its victories in the enemy's camp. Meanwhile in China it is a direct menace to the stability of the State, and the forces of government must be organised against it. The theoretical differences in the ranks of the Kuomintang are small compared with the radical differences between it and Communism.

The real rock which Mr. Wang's theory breaks up, however, is the difficulty of liquidating the militarist debt. This is a more direct and obvious legacy of the Revolution than Communism. The problem is twofold. How are the militarist leaders to be persuaded to

agree to drastic reduction or complete abandonment of their forces? Granted that they are willing, where is the money to be found? Mr. Wang appears to regard such problems as irrelevant to his political scheme. They are, on the contrary, of its essence. Just as the politician must save the State before he can work out his political ideals, so much he solve this primary problem of subordinating the military to the executive before he can have freedom to rule. It cannot be done by Government proclamation. At the best, there must be hard bargaining, as General Chiang Kai-shek discovered in the contest with Feng and Yen. At the worst, it is insoluble, and the country would then be better off under a semi-feudalism. The hard core of the problem can be seen in the present position of Chiang Kai-shek. There is every indication that he personally subordinates military to political considerations. But he himself is dependent on his army commanders, and considerations of his indebtedness to their loyalty compels him to consider their views in crisis. In spite of himself, he is threatened with being forced into the position of a militarist.

POLICE RESERVE.

**ORDERS FOR THE COMING
WEEK.**

Police Reserve orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector General of Police, state:—

Revolver Competition.

A revolver competition will take place between the Chinese Company and the Reserve Emergency Unit at the Kennedy Road Range on Saturday, January 22nd, at 2.30 p.m.

Chinese Company.

Training Course Part II. All recruits will attend at the Chinese Company's Headquarters, on Tuesday, January 19th, 1932 at 5.30 p.m. for instruction.

Defence Class. This will be held on Wednesday, January 20th, at Police Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. under Police Sergeant R. J. Hunt.

Training Course Part I. All recruits of the Chinese Company will attend Central Police Station for Squad Drill on Thursday, January 21st, 1932 at 5.30 p.m.

N. C. O. Class.—All N. C. O. will attend the Chinese Company's Headquarters on Friday, January 22nd, 1932 at 1.00 p.m. for instruction under Mr. Peterson, P.P.T.S.

Company Parade.—A Company parade will take place on Saturday, January 30th at the Central Police Station at 2.30 p.m. All members must attend as a Company, wearing Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Truncheon, Belt, Whistle and Chain, Armband and Badge, "Pocket Policeman" and note-book to be carried.

Indian Company.

Commendation. Constable R253 Mohamed Ahsan of the India Company, Hongkong Police Reserve is commended by the Hon. I. G. P. for good services on 27th September 1931 in arresting four illicit wine smugglers on board the a.s. "Sukking."

Flying Squad.

Strength.—S.I.B.C. Randall has resumed command of the Flying Squad with effect from Wednesday, January 13th, 1932.

The next instructional patrol will take place on Friday, January 22nd, at Central Police Station at 17.15 hours. All members should attend. Dress—Blue Uniform and Cap with White Cover.

Reserve Emergency Unit.

Strength.—Constable R446 S. Bercevitich has been taken on the strength of the Reserve Emergency Unit as from January 16th, 1932.

Defence Class.—The defence class will be held in the gymnasium at Police Headquarters on Wednesday, January 20th, at 5.30 p.m. under Police Sergeant R. J. Hunt.

Arms Licence.—All members who have not yet returned their licences to the O. I/c. must do so at once.

Sgt. D. L. King, D. S. P. (R)

Hongkong, January 18th, 1932.

**CHURCH "STORMED" AT
A WEDDING.**

**POLICEMAN RESTORES
ORDER.**

The wedding of Lady Veronica Blackwood and Mr. Antony Hornby, at St. Paul's Knightsbridge, was attended by over 600 guests. For half an hour before the arrival of the bride there was a steady stream of guests who had to wait on the pavement after alighting from their cars before they could make their way into the building. The bride arrived while many of the guests were still searching for seats and women who had been waiting outside broke from the

DAY BY DAY

NEVER COMPLAIN AND NEVER EXPLAIN.—(DISRAELI'S ADVICE TO PUBLIC MEN WHEN CRITICISED.)

The R.M.S. Empress of Japan arrived at Vancouver yesterday at noon.

Two further cases of diphtheria were notified to the health authorities on Friday.

At to-morrow's Rotary Tiffin the speaker will be Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, and his subject "The Institute of Pacific Relations."

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Mr. John Denniford Mininnett, of 3, Ashley Road, Kowloon, and Miss Marie Chan, of 6, Kimberley Road, Kowloon.

Dr. E. P. Minett, T.D., V.D., D.P.H., until recently bacteriologist at Hongkong, has been promoted to Medical Officer of Health at St. Christopher-Neville.

Mrs. C. E. L. Grist will speak on "Magazines" at the next meeting of the Hongkong Branch of the English Association. This meeting will take place at the Helena May Institute on Tuesday, January 19, at 5.30 p.m.

The many friends of Mr. John S. H. Wan will be pleased to know that he is now out of hospital, after having undergone an appendicitis operation. He was a patient at the Canossa Hospital for eight weeks.

A Police report states that George Harold Richardson, an able bodied seaman of H.M.S. Sterling, and Alfred W. Hazell, an able bodied seaman of H.M.S. Sirdar, who were reported missing from December 30 last have since returned to their ships.

The police are looking for a man who has escaped after wedding with some effect, a chapper at Kowloon City. The victim, who is an unemployed boatman living in a tenement at Ngau Shai Wan, was wounded in the head while asleep. He was taken to the Kowloon Hospital.

Eleven boatpeople were charged before the Hon. Comdr. Hole, at the Marine Court this morning, with having their craft inshore at the Mongkok Ferry wharf, and were fined \$10 or one week's imprisonment each. A boat mistress was fined similarly for having failed to stop when called upon to do so by a police officer.

A curious mishap was brought to the notice of the police during the week-end. At 428, Shanghai Street, a 4-year-old girl named Wong Kam, fell from a stool, head foremost, on to a porcelain cuspidor. The cuspidor was smashed, while the child, suffering from head wounds, was taken to the Kowloon Hospital, where her condition is said to be serious.

The epidemic of burglaries in pump houses at the rear of premises on the Praya Reclamation continues and according to a Police report some person gained admission to the pump house of 180, Hennessy Road, from where was stolen an electric pump valued \$50. By climbing over the dividing wall the thief went to the adjoining house and from there stole another pump.

meat lines they had formed and rushed into the church. They dashed up the steps to the gallery, where they climbed on seats and hung perilously. A policeman, seeing what was happening, pushed his way through and restored order.

Sir MAX PEMBERTON on

THE GRUDGE BRIDGE CIRCUS.

A CHEERY bishop used to tell a story of a small boy who asked to be taken to some great religious pageant at York in which other bishops were to appear. "You can't go," said the small boy's father, "you was at the circus last week."

Whether small boys were taken to the Bridge Circus in New York, I do not know. It must have been a pretty affair. Bridge to the clash of cymbals, so to speak. Lights and loud cheers instead of music. Cries of "well played" or "well thrown in, sir." The cry of commendation of experts who have seen all the hands. No wonder poor Mrs. Culbertson did not play her best; she would have been happier, perhaps, crying "I pass" in a den of lions.

They call it a Battle of the Rival System! But is it? To me it seems a contest for the possession of Kings and Aces. The Culbertsons were at one time 4,840 points down. Yet what can we deduce from this? Nothing, except defeat for the 206 Aces the Culbertsons had help up to that time against the 223 dealt to Mr. Lenz and his partner. And when during the sixth session the luck of the deal turned in favour of the Culbertsons and enabled them to wipe out their deficit with a succession of six winning rubbers, we were still left wondering how much either of the contending systems had to do with it.

Discarded Systems.

"Official versus non-official," that was the battle. Whether it be better to force with three of a suit or with two, Mr. Lenz says "three," and is widely read. Mr. Culbertson says "two," and makes \$50,000 a year. Neither appears to have called either three or two during this contest. Perhaps the huddle-doo drove the idea out of their heads. As a famous card player at a London club declared, had he been there, he would have bid "three dawns."

Naturally, we must allow something for the staging. These highly paid bridge experts must conquer their natural modesty. They must imitate the golfer, who, in America at any rate, expects to hole out to the hooting of horns. The spotlights of publicity fall upon them, and with glory in their eyes they perhaps forget just what they wrote on page 640 of their latest treatise and bid as the spirit moved them. Sometimes it came off, sometimes it didn't. Witness this pretty hand over which Mr. Lenz and Mr. Jacoby apparently exchanged a few kind words. The order of it certainly was not in the books.

Culbertson.

S: —
H: K.J,9,8,2
D: K,10,9,2
C: K,J,8,6

Jacoby

S: A,K,Q,7,2
H: 10,6,3
D: 6
C: 10,7,3,2

Lenz (Denier)

N: S:8
W: E: A,Q,7,5,4
S: D: A,Q,7,5,4
C: 9,4
S: J,10,9,6,5,4,3
H: —
D: 8,4,3
C: A,Q,5

Mrs. Culbertson. Here Mr. Lenz made an initial bid of one heart—quite correct, for he had three quick tricks and a second biddable suit. Mrs. Culbertson went a spade, a daring response as she had but one and a half quick tricks. Naturally, Mr. Jacoby doubled a spade, whereupon Mr. Culbertson made the astonishing bid of two clubs, having one and a half quick tricks only. Upon this bid, Mr. Lenz said "two diamonds." Mrs. Culbertson passed; Mr. Jacoby took his partner back to two hearts, and the bidding closed finally with four hearts from Mr. Lenz. Here Mr. Culbertson came in and promptly doubled. Mr. Jacoby redoubled and the fun began. The Lenz pair went down and exchanged mutual expressions of abhorrence.

Recriminations.

The point Mr. Jacoby sought to make was that Mr. Lenz had no right to rebid his hearts after he, Mr. Jacoby, had once repudiated them. Mr. Lenz declared, in turn, that the double of the spade was not a repudiation of hearts. Some of us will think that double mistaken. Information about other suits could not have helped Mr. Jacoby. He had nothing in his hand.

Another gentle zephyr blew upon another occasion when Mr. Culbertson bid one diamond on A. K. to four, also having in his hand the J, 10 to five hearts, and the Ace and another club. Mr. Jacoby complained that, upon Mr. Culbertson's teaching, the heart should have been bid first. In turn, Mr. Culbertson produced his book, referred to approach bids of "one" and offered Mr. Jacoby the volume with his autograph.

Yet again, another murmur of the wind from a Western quarter. Mr. Jacoby deliberately goes down three tricks to save a rubber, and Mr. Culbertson, if report does not belie him, protested that this was not done in the serene atmosphere of such family bridge. Mr. Jacoby replied that it was really "O.K. Chief," and the referee backed him up. Everybody appears to have been happy and a glass of water was sent for—and, more remarkably, was drunk. So the blessed gifts of peace once more fell upon an agitated company.

The Lesson.

All this, I fear, has taught us very little but has emphasised the need in England for a simple "official" code of play which all can understand. The English books I have read appear to be a rehash of the system of Culbertson, Milton C. Work, and Whitehead. A perusal of them would qualify a nervous man for Colney Hatch.

Naturally, the mastery of any system, however simple it be, needs some perseverance and a little mental endeavour. If brains are not to enter into it, then we may enjoy ourselves at "Beggars my neighbour," or we can even fall back upon "Snap" which, I am assured, is a very diverting game entailing no risk whatever, either of mental strain or of melancholia.

A C3 NATION?

"One-tenth of the population of this country is either physically or mentally deficient."—Mr. Justice MCCARDIE.

HERE is an old experiment. One need not be a medical man or a psychologist to put it into operation, but merely the possessor of common sense and a power of observation—in fact, one of the nine-tenths.

Stand in any busy thoroughfare—the Strand, near Waterloo Bridge, has been my favourite post—and count the number of smiling faces that pass; nay, faces that are just peaceful, serene. With occasional exception of persons conversing together, one may say that the smiling face is altogether absent. The huge majority are not simply "poker faces" but have a decidedly harassed and careworn appearance.

Curiously enough, this is the experience of a lady who has just regained her sight after 27 years' blindness. To her, the average person in the street appears to be on the verge of a nervous breakdown.

The Classic Standard

Now make your observations from another angle. Take, say, as a standard of physical excellence one of each sex of the many Greek (Continued on Page 7.)



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OVER THIRTY
CONVICTIONS.BAD CHARACTER GETS
THREE YEARS.

18 YEARS IN GAOL.

First convicted for stealing at the tender age of eleven, and thereafter having no fewer than 31 convictions registered against him, which resulted in his spending 18 years of his life in gaol, Chan Wing was again convicted of larceny at the Criminal Sessions this morning before the Pulane Judge (Mr. Justice Lind-sell).

Prisoner, who pleaded guilty to three alternative counts regarding the theft of two quilts, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment with hard labour. The first charge was that prisoner, on November 30, 1931, at Mongkok, broke and entered the dwelling house of Wong Cheung and Wong Kiu, and stole two quilts, the property of the complainants. The second count was one of receiving the quilts and the third of simple larceny.

Prisoner admitted the first count, whereupon Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, for the Crown, indicated that he would not proceed on the other two counts as they were alternative.

In outlining the case, counsel said that the sole reason for prisoner being sent to the Sessions was because of his previous record. The complainants lived at a house in Soy Street, Mongkok, and on the morning of the day in question they went to work as usual, after which some one broke a glass window of the edifice, lifted the bolt, entered, and stole the quilts.

The man was seen to walk away and the complainants were informed when they returned and discovered their loss. One of them set off on his bicycle in the direction the thief had taken, and in the course of visiting pawnshops in the district he finally came upon prisoner in one of them trying to pawn the quilts. He was arrested.

A Bad Record
As regards prisoner's record, counsel said that he was convicted for stealing in 1905 when eleven years of age, being sent to gaol for 21 days. Subsequently he had been convicted no fewer than 31 times and had been brought before the Criminal Sessions on six occasions. He had spent 18 years of his life in gaol and appeared to be addicted to housebreaking and small larcenies.

After remarking that prisoner seemed to like being in gaol, Mr. Fitzroy said that, inside the gaol, he was a good prisoner and worker. He obeyed the prison regulations and gave no trouble. He was also able to turn his hand to any trade and it was hard to understand why he did not try to earn an honest living.

His Lordship, addressing prisoner, said:—You appear to prefer being in gaol than being outside it.

Prisoner:—That is not the case, I have no alternative. If I try to be honest by hawking I cannot get a licence.

When his Lordship remarked that that was probably due to his bad record, prisoner replied:—That is not it. As soon as I get a stock and lay out my stall I am arrested and charged with obstruction and lose all my capital money.

After his Lordship had passed sentence as stated above, prisoner asked if his Lordship would issue to him a hawk's licence, but his Lordship replied that prisoner would have to apply for it in the proper quarter when he came out of gaol.

Prisoner:—That will be no good. This being the only case on this month's calendar the Sessions were adjourned *sine die*.

DIRECTOR'S DEBTS
OF £11,217.

£100 IN ASSETS.

Heavy losses of shareholders were referred to at the London Bankruptcy Court when Alexander Clarence Bowles, of St. Martin's-le-Grand, E.C., company director, attended for his adjourned public examination. The statement of affairs showed liabilities £113,217 and assets £100.

Questioned regarding his transactions in shares recommended by the "Financial Recorder," Mr. Bowles agreed that the public had subscribed in all some £500,000 for such shares.

None of the companies had paid a dividend. Most of them were in liquidation, and the people who had bought the shares had lost their money.

His personal profits on the transactions had amounted to £100,000, part of which had gone to reimburse disgruntled clients, part in gambling losses and part in extravagant living.

Mr. Bowles said his wife was in Canada, but she had not taken any part of the £100,000 with her. The examination was concluded.

THE SENTRY'S
DILEMMA.SAW ROBBERY NEAR
PALACE.

London, Dec. 20.

What should a sentry do if, while on duty outside St. James's Palace, he sees motor bandits smash the window of a shop and drive off with hundreds of pounds' worth of goods?

This was the dilemma which confronted a sentry at three o'clock on Saturday morning, when four men dressed in evening clothes and top hats drove up Pall Mall in a smart sports car and raided the shop of H. Wilson and Son, barely 20 yards away.

The sentry kept to his post, and later reported "an unusual happening" to the N.C.O. in charge. By the time the Flying Squad arrived the bandits were miles away with their haul of the finest cigars they could select.

Palace First.
The sentry's action was endorsed by a War Office official, who told a *New Chronicle* reporter: "The man did the right thing in keeping to regulations. Sentries must not leave their posts."

"His first duty was to see that no unauthorized person entered the Palace. A smash-and-grab raid might easily be staged to distract the sentry's attention while some person slipped through the Palace guard."

"In cases of serious crime a sentry must, of course, use his discretion. He would not, for instance, stand by and watch a murder committed under his nose."

At the Horse Guards' headquarters the position was described as perfectly clear. "The first duty of the sentry is to guard the Palace," said an officer. "What happens in the vicinity is strictly nothing to do with him."

ACTION TRIED A
THIRD TIME.

4TH TRIAL ASKED FOR.

An action arising out of a bus accident was tried on Dec. 21 for a third time at Clerkenwell County Court, and when the jury awarded £250 damages to the London General Omnibus Company, asked for a fourth trial.

A 65-year-old tailor named Gribble was knocked down by a bus and had to have his right arm amputated.

The bus company contended that it was Gribble who showed negligence, whereas he contended it was the driver.

The first jury awarded him £200 and costs.

The L.G.O.C. applied for a new trial and the second jury awarded £600 and costs.

An application was made for a further trial and the third jury awarded £250 damages.

Thereupon Mr. Merryman, for the L.G.O.C., asked that judgment should not be entered, or that, alternatively, another trial, the fourth, should be granted.

Judgment was entered for the bus company, with costs of the three trials, and a stay of execution was granted conditional upon an appeal being lodged by Gribble within 28 days and £250 previously paid into court by the defendants returned to them.

The case is believed to be unique in county court history.

NEW TREATMENT
OF CANCER.OXYGEN INTRODUCED
BY INJECTIONS.

Paris, Dec. 17.

A new method of treating cancer and kindred ailments was explained by a French physician, Dr. Royer, to a conference of 400 medical specialists which assembled in Paris yesterday.

Dr. Royer calls his treatment "Octozene," or OZ, and it is employed at 48 clinics in France.

A Harley-street specialist, who listened to the lecture expressed himself as amazed at Dr. Royer's results.

Octozene is injected into the tissues and penetrates to the blood stream. Its action is claimed to be very rapid.

Dr. Royer claims that by this method the life-giving effects of oxygen are introduced into the body many more times more efficiently than through the ordinary channel, which is the lungs.

One of the difficulties about using octozene is its instability, which makes it extremely difficult to handle.

The question has been asked whether it could be produced in mass form and sent to hospitals all over the world compressed in cylinders. Owing to its instability it is preferable to utilise the gas immediately.

Curing by Electricity.

New York, Dec. 17.

A thousand medical men and scientists, convened for the Science Forum of the New York Electrical

WHO IS THE PEER?

PREMIER'S REPUDIATION OF
AN "INTERVIEW."

BLOW AT THE £.

An extraordinary document, purporting to give views expressed by the Prime Minister to a mysterious Lord "X" on the future of the £, is in circulation in financial circles on the Continent and in America.

It is denounced by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald as an "unscrupulous invention, one of the attempts made recently to create prejudice against the pound and to damage British credit abroad."

A copy shown to the Prime Minister at Lonsborough was dated "November 1931," but bore no signature.

The document is paraded as the work of "an observer of the British situation." It says:

"Sir, last Saturday I met Lord 'X,' who, on Friday, had a long conversation with Mr. Ramsay MacDonald. Lord 'X' asked the Prime Minister for a considered statement concerning the Government's intention to raise the gold standard, and Mr. MacDonald replied that in no circumstances would the Government consider the stabilisation of the £ before the year 1934."

"It was absolutely necessary that at least three years' Budgets be satisfactorily balanced and that the balance of trade turn in favour of England. Whether England would ever return to the gold standard he could not say, but taking the present feelings within the Cabinet and in the country he, as Prime Minister, did not think it likely. This statement is to be considered as authentic."

M. Laval's "Style."

Further extracts are: "Lord X. mentioned to me that according to news received from New York he believed the copper conference to be a failure. This would unfavourably influence the copper trade."

Mr. Y. told me that M. Laval's recent speech in which he mentioned the country with depreciated currencies had made a very unpleasant impression at the Foreign Office, and it was due to his rather unfortunate style that Mr. MacDonald had called to the pressure of the Ditchard Conservatives and had agreed to dumping measures without waiting until Sir John Simon had had an opportunity of discussing the matter in Paris.

"On leaving London my final impression is that the expected revival of industrial activity will prove a delusion."

Shipping is very quiet. The banking business in its international relation is, as it were, at a standstill, and insurance activity has been steadily dropping since the slump in the £.

Thus the only means of improving the balance of trade lies in the reduction of imports, which in turn is bound to lead to retaliation and thus to reduce the export figure.

"I have given the subject careful consideration, and as a result I have come to the conclusion that the balance of trade will, in future, exhibit smaller details on both sides without, however, a sufficient surplus to keep the £ on its present level."

"Not a Word of Truth."

The letter went on to suggest that it was merely a matter of time before a newly-organised Liberal Party succeeded from the Government; that certain Conservatives could not reconcile themselves to the Premiership of Mr. MacDonald and the influence of his "Socialist colleagues"; that the National Government, "whose numerical strength may prove its undoing," may be overthrown "in time."

He added: "I am sorry to say my view of the development of England is one of considered pessimism."

After reading the letter Mr. MacDonald said at once:

"There is not a word of truth in it. The whole thing is an invention."

"The opinions attributed to me have not even the shadow of a likeness to the opinions which I hold," he added.

Society, heard of the great advances in the realm of medical science, including the treatment of rheumatism by short wave radio, which has been tested quietly with apparent success. Twenty-four X-ray baths of an hour each for a fortnight were also disclosed as among the advanced methods of treating cancer.

The scientists also saw a fever machine which is designed to raise the internal temperature of localised parts of the body to fever heat without producing a similar heat throughout the body. The machine has been tested in a New York hospital where 500 treatments have been given and are said to prove the methods to be efficacious. The Forum was also told that the electric needle is soon likely to replace the surgeon's knife for operations.

FAMOUS PALACE
BURNED.GREAT BLAZE AT
STUTTGART.

Berlin, Dec. 21.

One of the finest Renaissance buildings in Germany, the old Palace of Stuttgart, was burned to-day. The oldest parts of the building date from the year 1,000, but the palace was rebuilt in its present form in the third quarter of the sixteenth century.

Immense crowds watched the desperate efforts of the entire Stuttgart fire brigade to extinguish the blaze, which were severely hampered by the cold, so that the hydrants could only be brought into working order after considerable delay.

This morning the castle was surrounded as usual by hundreds of Christmas trees for sale, and the booths of the Christmas market, where marzipan hearts, toy motor-cars, and all conceivable garments were being offered for sale. By half-past twelve all this seasonable gaiety had been hurriedly removed, and its place taken by rows of fire engines.

The fire was first noticed on the second floor of the east wing, between eleven and twelve, and was apparently due to a defective flue. The old beams burned like tinder, so that the flames soon spread to the third floor and extended their ravages to the west wing.

About 2 o'clock the north wing caught fire, and flames were soon spouting from all the windows of the northern tower; the attic storey was a sea of fire.

Pensioners Unconscious.
While a detachment of the Reichwehr was busily engaged in saving the records of the Stuttgart police headquarters in the east wing, the firemen, protected with gas masks, were searching the upper storeys for the State pensioners lodged there, several of whom became unconscious in the smoke. Amongst the inhabitants of the castle was the widow of the first Prime Minister of Republican Wurttemberg, Frau Blos.

The smoke was so thick that twenty of the firemen were incapacitated by the fumes. Fire brigades from all the neighbouring towns were sent for. The Prime Minister of Wurttemberg and the Mayor of the town were soon on the spot watching proceedings.

By a quarter to four the gable of the east wing collapsed with a number of firemen. The great Duke Christopher Tower is in danger of collapse, and it is feared that the whole castle will burn.

The part of the castle of greatest historical and artistic interest is unfortunately the east wing, of which no more than a shell survives. Here were rooms dating from the 15th century and many fine stucco ceilings of the Renaissance.

THE GRUDGE BRIDGE
CIRCUS.

(Continued from Page 6.)

statues to be found in the east room at the British Museum.

From your point of vantage count the number of people in the streets who ever remotely approximate to this standard. Modern clothing will offer very little obstacle to an observer with a fair sense of proportion, balance, and physical movement.

The result is extremely disappointing. True, the standard is high, but I have to confess that those who fall short comprise the major part of the remaining "nine-tenths." I have seen one Greek head and figure in many days—a public school youth who was engaged in a bout of boxing.

One further experiment. Combine the two ideals—a pleasant facial expression, indicating a tolerable severity of mind, and an approximation to the Greek ideal of physical proportion. The combination is so rare as to be almost non-existent.

Athletic Exceptions.
Did the physical ideal of the Greek sculptor actually exist in flesh and blood or was it an ideal only? I think it did exist, for I have seen the modern counterparts at the Olympic Games in London, Stockholm, Antwerp, and Amsterdam. But these few athletic figures among the many non-athletic are as a drop in the ocean.

Now, where are we heading? Ten per cent. of the population of this country is a definite brake upon the physical and mental activities of the remaining 90 per cent., which is itself composed largely of human beings who do not reach a very high degree of physical excellence, and who are not to all appearances—bubbling over with the joy of living.

Something is definitely wrong somewhere. I submit that a person has not yet learned to live who is unable to find a tolerably consistent pleasure in life apart from the forced jollity of a continual round of dances, suppers, theatres, and cinemas, who cannot find a considerable amount of quiet

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6. 11 Lamento (Liszt).

9.25-9.43 p.m. The Fountains of Rome (Respighi) played by the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates. 9127-8.

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Song-That's Why I'm Happy. Song-Do Something. Marion Kane. 21917.

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Chorus-Comin' Home. Chorus-Evening. (This record is by special request).

Song-Good Little Bad Little You. Song-Love Me Or Leave Me. Chick Ender (Tenor). 21922.

10.25 p.m. Rugby Mid-Day Press News.
10.30 p.m. Close Down.

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pleasure within himself and his immediate surroundings.

So far as the physical excellence of the average citizen is concerned, it is absurd to imagine that he is the less capable citizen because he has not the physique and appearance of an Apollo. There is, however, a good deal to be said for the person whose body has received sufficient attention in youth to give him a continued degree of pride in his physical condition in later years. He enjoys the sum total of all the advantages of physical exercise that one may read about in any book on the subject, and that, to the old hand at the game, seems too commonplace to hear repetition. It produces the type of Englishman who looks self-reliant well-proportioned, and well-bathed.

War's Scourge.

Goodness knows, the physical manhood of this country was held pretty thoroughly during the war, and will feel the effect for many generations to come. Much of the physical education of the average school child is of a type that permits free self-expression in games. This is all to the good; but I feel that an additional careful cultivation of youthful bone and muscle along lines that have an ideal the best type of Greek statuary would not be amiss.

At any rate, a beautifully proportioned human body is at least a pleasure to the eye, and would add a little dignity to our streets. In the meantime, who of us would have the courage to accept the opinion of a medical board that he or she is not worth reproduction?

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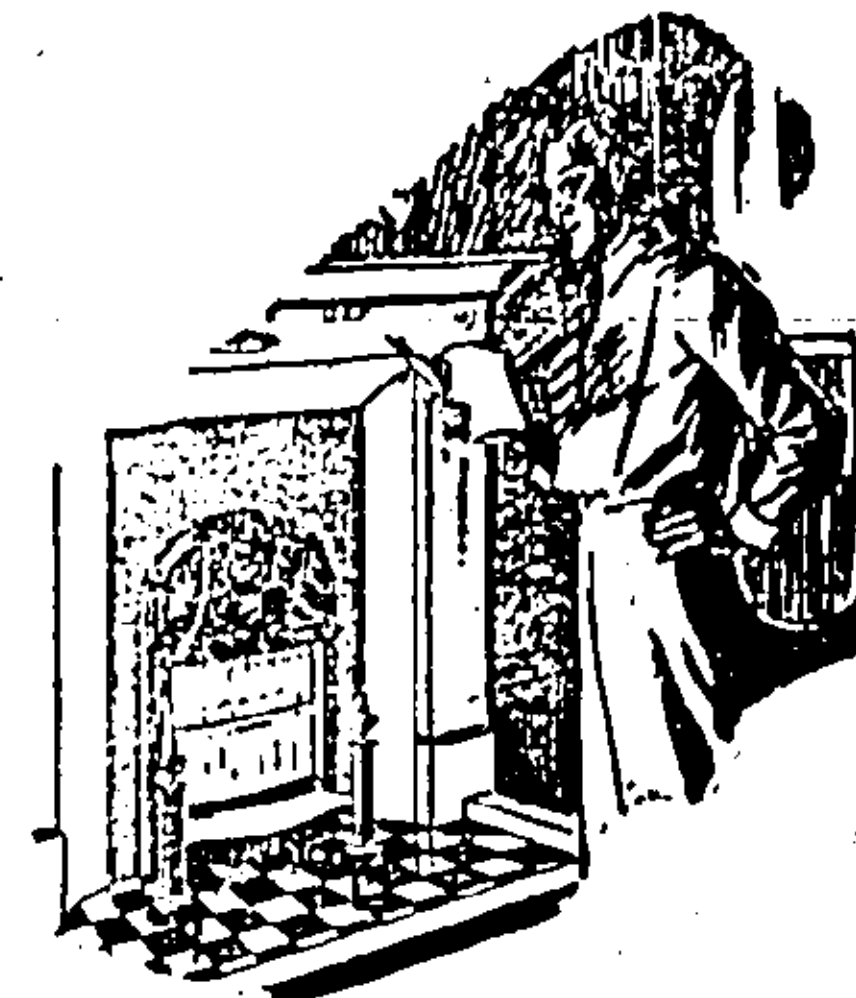
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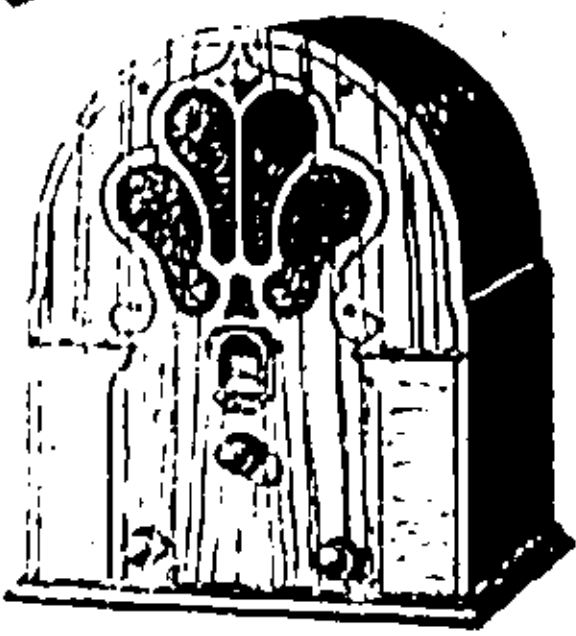
Bombay, Jan. 17.

One dead and two injured were the result of a clash between the police and a mob of stone-throwers at Berhampore, when the police were forced to fire on the crowd.—*Reuter*.

Latest reports from India confirm that a steady improvement continues regarding the position on North-West Frontier.

There is also improvement, despite isolated incidents, in Kashmir, while in the rest of India the situation is comparatively generally, except in Bombay where some difficult points in regard to question of picketing have arisen.—*British Wireless*.

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ARGYLLS SUFFER SETBACK.

**DROP POINT TO THE
POLICE.**

NAVY REVENGED.

(By "Wanderer.")

By surrendering a point to the Police on Saturday, the Argyls lost the leadership of the Senior Division to the Navy, who avenged themselves on the Kowloon F. C. ground for the defeat administered during the first half of the league season. The Club and the Borderers defeated depleted Recrelo and St. Joseph's sides.

The results were:

Senior Division.	
Kowloon Club	0 Royal Navy
Argylls	1 Police
Borderers	5 St. Joseph's

Junior Division.	
Borderers	0 Argyls
Kowloon Club	6 University
Club	1 Navy

TEMPERS FRAYED.

Bustling Game Ends in
A Draw

Bustling methods—which are of course, within reason, quite legitimate—are associated with the names of both the Police and the Argyls soccer elevens. It is hardly surprising, therefore, to find the fur flying when they clash. Unfortunately, in their meeting on Saturday, tempers began to get a little frayed with the result that an otherwise good game was spoiled.

The draw—each side netted once—was not unfair to either side. The Argyls displayed better teamwork and had a slight territorial advantage. The Police were fast and energetic and the direct methods of their attack seemed likely to prove more productive of goals, though their only point came from a penalty award. It says much for the brilliant work of Docherty and Henderson that the Police attack, which was capably served by a consistently good half-back line, was kept at bay, and almost equally good were Brittain and Perkins at the other end.

After a good start, however, the standard of play degenerated. There was too much taking of the man in preference to or with the ball, and the referee had too much of his time occupied in preventing the players from getting entirely out of hand.

TALE OF TWO HALVES.

Kowloon Bitten After
The Interval.

With Hedley out of the game for the rest of the season, Bickford on the sick list, and three other first eleven players missing for various reasons, Kowloon were forced to field three reserve forwards for their match against the Navy. Duncan dropping back into the half-back line.

In the circumstances, they did well to escape so lightly. The first half provided some capital football. The Navy endeavoured to make progress by short-passing movements and found their attacks easily smothered. The Kowloon half-back line, all the members of which did conspicuously good work, had a good grip on the game with the result that their forwards had plenty of opportunity to distinguish themselves. It was not their day, however, and only Cotton displayed anything like good form.

On the second half, the Navy began to swing the ball about, and with this change of tactics Kowloon were immediately thrown upon the defensive. Dickenson got two goals, both the result of smart opportunism, though Gurevitch had a chance with the first when he ran out, but failed to get a grasp of the ball.

Dixon, Shirras, Dickenson and Skinner were outstanding for the Navy. Gurevitch made two brilliant saves from the left winger towards the end of the first half, and another exceptionally good clearance from Dickenson's header a minute before half-time.

CLUB JUST WIN.

Recrelo Put Up Poor
Show.

The Club were without Howe and the Recrelo were without A. V. Goan. Hence the marked absence of punch in the efforts of both teams. The Club had the better of the exchanges and deserved their success by a single goal, netted by Foley a few minutes before the interval.

The Recrelo were dangerous in their occasional bursts, but with only four forwards they found it difficult to maintain contact, and

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

**CLUB WELL BEATEN BY
SERVICES.**

Though beaten, as expected, by the United Services XV, the Hongkong Rugby Club gave a greatly improved display on Saturday, and they were not so inferior as the score of 19 to 6 suggests.

The game throughout was very keenly contested, and was full of clever individual work. Once again the Club pack failed to make the most of their opportunities, and in the closing stages of the game were definitely outplayed in the scrum.

Robertson, Lanimert, Selby and Law were outstanding for the losers, while Thurston, Packer, Keith Murray and Ryder were seen to full advantage in the opposition. The game was only a minute old when the Services drew first blood, Packer kicking ahead for a forwards touch down and Pizer to convert. This was shortly afterwards followed up by a good movement by Keith Murray, who finished it off by giving one of his forwards the easy task of dribbling the ball over for an unconverted try.

The Club retaliated when Robertson kicked a fine penalty goal and then followed the best try of the match, when Selby got out a magnificent reverse pass to Turner, who allowed Law to go over the line. Before the interval, Services further increased their lead, Stevenson converting a try by Ryder. The Services made the game quite safe in the opening minutes of the second half, when Hubbard went over for an unconverted try, and although the Club tried desperately to reduce the lead, the Services' defence held out, and in the closing stages the winners were again on the attack.

CAER CLARK CUP.

**HONGKONG LADIES HELD TO
A DRAW.**

The hockey match in the Caer Clark cup between the Hongkong Ladies and the Recrelo Ladies was played at Soekunpoo on Saturday, and, contrary to all expectations, ended in a draw of two goals each.

The Recrelo Ladies were decidedly the more unfortunate, and though they scored their goals first in each half they could not hold the Hongkong Ladies.

The first goal came from a melee in front of the Hongkong Ladies goal, when L. Silva Netto netted the ball. A few minutes later, however, the Hongkong Ladies equalized through E. Bonnar.

In the second half, the Recrelo Ladies again got the lead through A. Alves. The Hongkong Ladies, however, were not to be denied, and just before the final whistle sounded E. Bonnar shot and a Recrelo defender in attempting to clear deflected the ball into the net.

C.R.A. Ladies Lose.

On the Navy ground, Happy Valley, the Hongkong Ladies second eleven defeated the Central British Association Ladies by three goals to nil. A. G. Orme, P. M. Harrop and A. Hill scored for the Hongkong Ladies in the first half of the game.

Jat Regiment Win.

On the Caroline Hill ground, the Raffles Sports Club were defeated by the Jat Regiment by eight goals to nil on Friday afternoon.

From the start, the Jats pressed but the Raffle defence held out well, and at the half time the score was one nil. In the second half, the Jats asserted themselves and added seven more goals. Hill netted seven times for the Jats, and Hardial got the remaining goal.

TWO PENALTIES.

St. Joseph's Flight Hard With Nine Men.

St. Joseph's were a beaten team before the game was well begun. Fielding only nine men, they were an easy mark for the Borderers, though the army side played much below form.

It was, in fact a rather listless game. Seven goals were scored but it required more than this to rouse any enthusiasm. The best feature was to be found in the fact that the nine St. Joseph's players did not spare themselves. Ever pegging away they deserve credit for getting two goals against a defence which was not giving anything away.

The Borderers obtained their first two goals from penalty awards, Jones of Navarra bringing the total to four before the interval, on the stroke of which Leonard reduced the lead. In the second half the Borderers slackened off and the game wended its way to a rather dreary end. Jones for the Borderers and Souza scored goals to break the monotony a trifle.

THE SPRINGBOKS' CLEAN SWEEP.

**SENSATIONAL DEFEAT OF
SCOTLAND.**

Edinburgh, Jan. 16.
An attendance of 80,000 spectators was present at Murray Field to-day when the Springboks concluded their Rugby tour with a clean sweep of all four Internationals, beating Scotland by six points to three in a desperate game.

The match was played in a gale and driving rain. At the interval the South Africans were down by three points to nil. Thousands flocked to the ground expecting to see the Springboks meet their Waterloo and the fact that three of the South Africans had been stricken with influenza on the eve of the match inspired bets to be laid at 5-1 against the tourists.

Scotland made a sensational start. Lind, running from half way, sold a dummy to Brand and scored a great try in the fourth minute. Allan, however, failed to convert from an easy position.

In desperate manhood Scotland was panned in for twenty minutes and only ruthless tackling saved them. Zimmerman was hauled down on the line. Simmers, diving in, with a fierce rush, a yard from the line, cleared brilliantly. With the Springboks pressing the interval arrived with Scotland leading by three points to nil.

On the resumption the Scottish line was subjected to heavy raids. Osler shot through and scored a try which he failed to convert. The Scottish backs were hampered by the grassy field. The Springboks took the lead in the 26th minute, Craven bursting from a scrum and scoring a try. Brand took the kick but failed to convert. Heavy scrums ensued, with both teams played out, leaving the result 6-3.

Victory for Wales.

Swansen, Jan. 16.
Wales upheld her prestige as International champion here before an attendance of 35,000 including H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, beating England by 12 points to five after there had been no score at the interval.

England's first sportsman, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, gave an enthusiastic lead to the greatest rugby day of the season, unexpectedly arriving at Paddington Station and joining the huge crowd of Welshmen and Englishmen with whom he travelled like an ordinary tripper. He was fervently greeted by 30,000 spectators in the stands and thousands more coming in. The Prince was introduced to the English players by their captain, C. D. Arrol, while Bassett introduced him to the Welshmen. The Prince had a lengthy chat with Bassett.

Wales kicked off and from an early scrum on the English line, Morley scored a try, which, however, was disallowed. England were hard pressed but Sobey made a great clearance on the line. England were twice penalised, Bassett falling with the second kick.

Wales were getting the ball from the scrums but were held up by Barr's touch-finding. The Welsh back swept down after a fierce midfield tussle, but Barr courageously dived at their feet and brilliantly found touch. England attacked for the first time after a quarter of an hour but were driven back by Powell. Wales were having most of the game, but both lines were threatened in turn. There was no score before the interval.

Wales continued to attack after the resumption and soon scored under the posts in the sixth minute, Bassett converting. Wales gained the ascendancy and a quarter of an hour from time Bon wriggled free from two opponents to score a dropped goal. Ten minutes later England were penalised in front of the posts and Bassett scored a goal. England, in a final thrust, scored a try through Webb and a goal through Barr. The final score was 12-5 in favour of Wales.—Reuter.

FANLING GOLF.

**RESULT OF BOGEY POOL
COMPETITION.**

The Bogey Pool Competition, played at Fanling during the week-end, was won by Capt. J. H. Anderson (5), who was two up at the finish.

There were 24 entries, and other scores included D. S. Edward (11), all square; J. S. Dykes (17) and F. B. Mackie (12), both two down.

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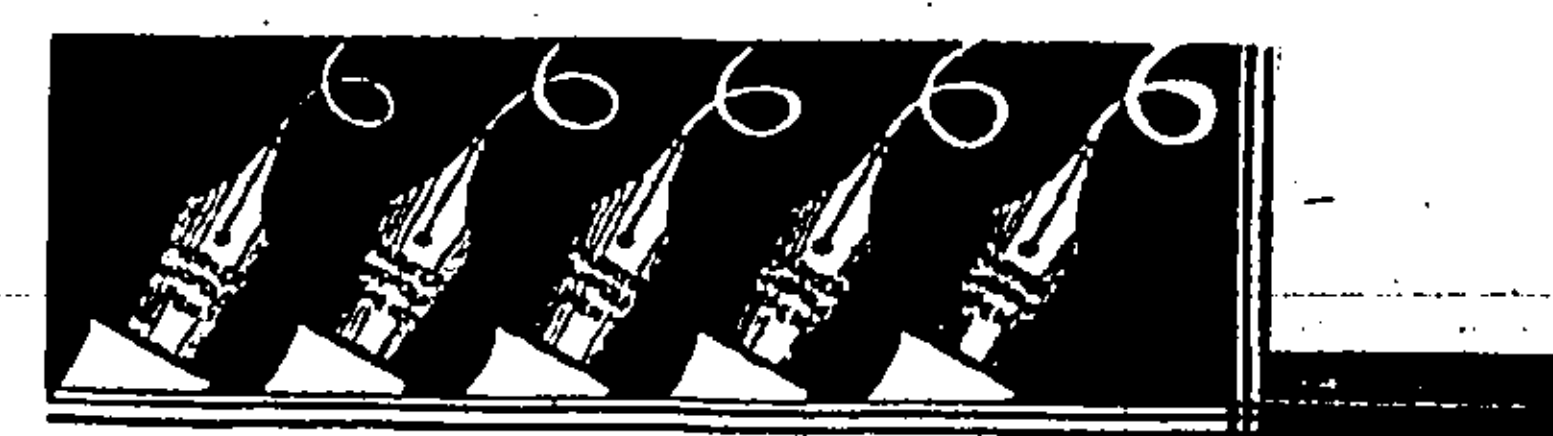


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**APPRECIATION BY BRITISH
FOREIGN MINISTER.**

London, Jan. 17.
The Foreign Office has issued a letter from Sir John Simon to M. Briand dated January 15, in which he states that he has received the

news that M. Briand has finally decided not to continue in office, and personally regrets this decision after M. Briand's long and distinguished tenure of office and great services to peace.

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BIG RACE MEETING.

SUBSTANTIAL ENTRIES RECEIVED.

Unusually heavy entries have been received for the Annual Race Meeting this year, which will be held on February 20, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, and 27th. Entries closed last Saturday afternoon. The substantial increase in the entries is due to the fact that there are about 90 Derby Grifflins imported in Hongkong this season as compared with the figure of about 60 last year, while the number of subscription grifflins has been increased from 90, which was the figure of 1931, to about 116. The batch of Australian ponies imported last year for the first time in Hongkong placed further orders with the result that no fewer than 52 Australian ponies have been purchased for the coming Annual Meeting, as compared with the comparatively small number of 20 odd in 1931.

The Draft Programme.

The draft programme for the five days' meeting has been published and it is noted that for the first day the events include: The Wong Nei-chung Stakes (First Section), The Wong Nei-chung Stakes (Second Section), The Sydney Maiden Stakes, The Sydney Maiden Stakes (Second Division), for ponies measuring 14 hands, 1 inch and over), The Pochoy Cup, The Valley Stakes, The Trial Plate, The China Stakes, The Old Course Plate, The Hopful Stakes, The New Stable Plate.

For the second day, February 22, the programme consists of: The Tower Stakes, The Perth Plate, The Two Stakes, The Victoria Stakes, The Garrison Cup, The Mongolian Stakes, The Melbourne Cup, The Hongkong Derby, The Chester Cup, The Challenge Cup, The "Black Rock" Stakes, and The Perth Plate.

The Third Day's programme includes: The Kalgan Plate, The Tien-tsin Stakes, The Coral Plate, The Exchange Plate, The Royal Navy Cup, The Subscription Grifflins' Challenge Cup, The American Club Cup, The Governor's Cup, The Roly-Hill Derby, The Peking Plate, The Racing Stakes, and The Gynkhana Stakes.

The Fourth Day's programme consists of: The Leighton Hill Stakes, The Grand Stand Stakes, The Ladies' Purse, The Adelaide Stakes, The Jockey Cup, The Blue Mountains Plate, The Lusitano Cup, The Champion Stakes, The Sports Club Cup and Hongkong Stakes, The Shanghai Plate, The Northern Stakes and The Consolation Stakes.

The Fifth Day's programme consists of: The Professional Cup and Subscription Grifflins' Champions, The Australian Ponies' Champions and seven other events which are confined to ponies that have started in the annual meeting and have not won.

The 1st Extra Meeting has been fixed on March 5, Saturday, which will have nine events down for contest.

On account of the heavy entries and the large number of subs. this season the Jockey Club has decided to divide the Wong Nei-chung Stakes into two sections. The Derby which was contested previously in the morning has now been shifted to the eighth race in the afternoon. The time interval comes after the fifth race each day.

GOLF ACCIDENT.

BALL STRIKES PLAYER ON FOREHEAD.

A somewhat nasty accident befell Mr. D. M. Goodall, of Messrs. Lane Crawford, while playing golf at the Happy Valley Golf course yesterday morning.

A ball driven by a player from another tee struck Mr. Goodall on the forehead causing a nasty gash which bled profusely.

The Wanchai Fire Brigade on receipt of a call sent an ambulance, and Mr. Goodall was immediately removed to the French Hospital, at Causeway Bay, where he was attended to and the wound stitched up. He was, however, detained at the Hospital.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

INTERESTING STAGE REACHED.

The race for the championship in the First Division of the Cricket League has reached a most interesting stage with the Indians (last year's champions) and the Craignower C.C. on even terms, each having won all three matches up to date. These two teams will be matched against each other next Saturday, when the destination of the Shield will be decided.

FIRST DIVISION.

Champions' Big Victory Over The Royal Navy.

The Royal Navy were no match for the Indians, and lost by the big margin of ten wickets at Sookumpoo. Sub. Lt. Merriman (10) alone played the bowling with confidence, while Lt. Cdr. Skyrme played a restrained innings. The side were dismissed for 64 runs.

A. R. Minu (5 for 26) and A. H. Madar (4 for 6) were in fine form with the ball, and were responsible for the dismissal of the Navy side for 64 runs.

BURNETT'S HAT TRICK.

University And Kowloon Draw At Pokfulam.

Consistent batting and steady bowling were responsible for the draw between the University and the Kowloon Cricket Club at Sookumpoo.

The Varsity men, thanks to Anderson (53), E. L. Gosano (52), and A. M. Rodriguez (21) were able to run up a score of 175 runs. Their sixth, seventh and eighth wickets, however, fell without the addition of a run, to Burnett, who performed his second "hat-trick" this season.

Kowloon could not force a win against the steady bowling of their opponents, and at close of play had 154 runs for eight wickets. E. C. Fincher and N. A. F. Mackay scored 37 and 31 runs each, and F. Goodwin 21 runs. A. Baker bowled well to take six wickets for 47 runs.

RACE AGAINST TIME.

Craignower Defeat Club In Thrilling Finish.

At Happy Valley, the Craignower C.C. defeated the Hongkong Club after a thrilling race against time by 86 runs.

E. Zimmerman and S. V. Gittins laid the foundation of Craignower's big total by scoring 94 runs in a partnership for the second wicket. Zimmerman's innings was characterized by some big hitting, and on two occasions he lifted Beck out of the grounds. Eventually Craignower declared at 188 runs for six wickets. Zimmerman (59), Gittins (53), U. M. Omar (21) and A. R. Hanson (21 not out) were the principal contributors.

Except for Owen Hughes (38) and E. J. R. Mitchell (22) the Club batsmen did not offer any opposition, being dismissed for 102 runs. R. Lee captured six wickets for 36 runs.

SECOND DIVISION.

Smith Has A Day Out With Bat And Ball.

The second strings of the University and the Kowloon C.C. met at Kowloon, the former being defeated by nine wickets.

P. S. W. Smith was responsible for the low total of 91 runs made by the University. He claimed six of their wickets for only 13 runs.

Kowloon passed this total for the loss of one wicket. Smith followed up his bowling by scoring 70 runs. E. Lee and G. U. Mead helped with 37 and 25 runs not out each.

RESULT REVERSED.

Club Seconds Avenue Seniors' Defeat by Craignower.

The Craignower records made a poor showing against the Hongkong Club on the Club ground, being dis-

LOCAL YACHTING.

FIRST CORDINTHIAN RACE ON SATURDAY.

The first Corinthian Race for sailing yachts took place at the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club on Saturday afternoon over a course of 7.5 miles. The full results were as follows:

Yacht	Class	Started at 2.15 p.m.	Finished	Corrected	Points
Nereus	1st	4.15.50	4.11.50	4.11.50	1
Nikita	2nd	4.17.44	4.12.44	4.12.44	2
Diana	3rd	4.20.02	4.15.02	4.15.02	3
Argyll II	4th	4.27.06	4.18.21	4.18.21	4
Brother	5th	4.22.47	4.14.02	4.14.02	5
Colleen	6th	4.22.47	4.14.02	4.14.02	6
Upi and "Y"	7th	4.22.47	4.14.02	4.14.02	7
Daphne	8th	4.22.47	4.14.02	4.14.02	8
Alia	9th	4.22.47	4.14.02	4.14.02	9
Why Wonder	10th	4.22.47	4.14.02	4.14.02	10
Bluejacket	11th	4.22.47	4.14.02	4.14.02	11
Boatman	12th	4.22.47	4.14.02	4.14.02	12
Speedwell	13th	4.22.47	4.14.02	4.14.02	13
Adrian	14th	4.22.47	4.14.02	4.14.02	14
Zephyr	15th	4.22.47	4.14.02	4.14.02	15
Lola	16th	4.22.47	4.14.02	4.14.02	16
Wendy	17th	4.22.47	4.14.02	4.14.02	17

Cruiser Race.

The fifth cruiser championship race was sailed yesterday, the course being Cheung Chau (P), a distance of 26 miles. The race started at 10.05 a.m. and resulted as follows:

Yacht	Class	Started at 10.05 a.m.	Finished	Corrected	Points
Alia	1st	4.09.31	3.48.45	3.48.45	1
La Clante	2nd	4.09.31	4.01.50	4.01.50	2
Isle	3rd	4.12.58	4.07.50	4.07.50	3
Norseman	4th	4.21.01	4.04.12	4.04.12	4
U and I	5th	4.19.07	4.03.03	4.03.03	5
Monsoon	6th	4.17.00	4.02.17	4.02.17	6
Curlew	7th	4.04.47	4.01.46	4.01.46	7
Wanderer	8th	4.20.31	4.10.16	4.10.16	8

missed for only 62 runs, and losing the match by eight wickets.

Wolff and Stocker caused the collapse by taking four wickets for eight runs and three for 14 runs respectively.

The Club totalled 117 runs for eight wickets, Gahagan and Kibbe scoring 25 runs each.

SOLDIERS' COLLAPSE.

Recreio Troupe Royal Army Service Corps.

At King's Park, the Club de Recreio defeated the Royal Army Service Corps by seven wickets.

The military team were easily dismissed for 34 runs by G. A. Gutierrez (4 for 10), H. A. Alves (2 for 4) and A. P. Pereira (2 for 12).

The Portuguese lads passed this total for the loss of three wickets, and went on to score 107 runs. L. G. Gutierrez top-scored with 31 runs not out.

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

Royal Artillery Defeated by the Police.

At Happy Valley, the Police defeated the Royal Artillery by seven wickets. The military side totalled 164 runs, towards which Lt. Wolfe-Barry contributed 33 runs. The Police replied with 166 runs, Alexander getting 83 runs out of this total.

Hamilton's Good Bowling. The South Wales Borderers defeated the Royal Engineers and Royal Signals by nine wickets at Sookumpoo. Lt. Hamilton, the Interceptor, ran through the R.E. and R.S. team by capturing seven of their wickets for only 19 runs. They made only 40 runs. The Borderers, through consistent batting, totalled 248 runs. Pte. Whelton was the top-scorer with 76 runs. Five of their other batsmen topped the twenty mark.

Match Unplayed.

Owing to a mix-up in the fixtures, the match between the Civil Service Seniors and the Royal Artillery was not played, the Army team being engaged with the Police.

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Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible—"How excellent is thy loving kindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings. They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house; and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures. For with thee is the fountain of life, in thy light shall we see light." (Ps. 36: 7-9).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passages from the Christian Science text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "Life is without beginning and without end. Eternity, not time, expresses the thought of Life, and time is no part of eternity. One ceases in proportion as the

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Monday, January 11.—His Excellency the Chancellor presided at the Congregation of the University and conferred the degrees. Lady Peel attended the ceremony.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel gave a dinner party at Government House to members of the Court of the University and the graduates of 1931.

Wednesday, January 13.—The following luncheon at Government House:—Lady Hope Simpson, Hon. Mr. Shenton, Sir William Hornell.

Thursday, January 14.—His Excellency the Governor presided at the meeting of the Executive Council. Lady Peel presided at the Annual General Meeting of the Girl Guides Association.

Friday, January 15.—His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel watched the anti-aircraft artillery practice from Stanley Peninsula.

Saturday, January 16.—The following luncheon at Government House: General and Mrs. Billotte, Admiral Herr, Colonel & Mrs. Saville, Commandant Russell, Ensigne de Valois, Durny, M. Renner.

other is recognized. Time is finite; eternity is forever infinite." (p. 468).



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NANKING CRISIS.

DEFAULT AVERTED BY BANKERS' HELP.

Nanking, Jan. 16. It is learned that the Government and the Shanghai banking group have reached an agreement, whereby the suggested moratorium on domestic bonds, the possibility of which has been a cause of consternation in financial circles for some days past, has been staved off, at any rate, for the present.

It is reported that the Government has agreed to halve the present expenditure of \$24,000,000, but, since its revenue is only \$7,000,000, bankers will guarantee the remaining \$5,000,000.

Later, it is now authoritatively learned that the Government has definitely abandoned the moratorium proposal. —Reuter.

Nanking, Jan. 17. In response to a summons from Chiang Kai-shek, Wang Ching-wei, who has long been protesting that he was too ill to visit Nanking to take up his duties with the Central Political Council, left hospital yesterday evening and boarded a train for Hankow where he will confer with Chiang Kai-shek.

Mr. T. V. Soong is also reported to be now in Hankow. —Reuter "Telegraph" Special.

Feng Yu-hsiang, Nanking, Jan. 17. It is authoritatively stated that Feng Yu-hsiang will shortly be appointed Director of Military Training in succession to Li Chai-sum, who is slated for the Presidency of the Control Yuan, as Mr. Yu Yu-jen, who is now in Hongkong, is likely to succeed Mr. C. C. Wu as President of the Judicial Yuan. —Reuter "Telegraph" Special.

EARTHQUAKE.

ALARMING SHOCKS IN NORTH OF ENGLAND.

London, Jan. 17. Early this morning six violent earth tremors were felt in England, particularly in the Manchester district. The tremors lasted for half an hour frightening many people out of their beds.

A slight amount of damage was done to several buildings in Manchester.

The quake was accompanied by loud rumblings. Five shocks were felt at Swinton, near Sheffield. At Clifton, Westmoreland, houses rocked and windows and doors rattled, beds vibrated, while crockery danced on the shelves.

The disturbance was attributed to the Pendleton "fault" movement which caused an earthquake scare in Manchester last May. —Reuter's Special Service.

SLUMP IN AMERICA.

EXTENSIVE FALLING OFF IN FOREIGN TRADE.

Washington, Jan. 17. Eloquent testimony of the extent to which America has been hit by the economic crisis is contained in the trade returns for last year. These returns show that exports have declined more than 36 per cent, while imports have fallen off 30 per cent as compared with 1930. —Reuter's Special Service.

GEMS OF PERIL.

(Continued from Page 3.)

let the Lorimer people be able to say I had to buy one of their cars to get any place.

"But the fact is," he hesitated, and Mary fairly twitched with impatience, "the fact is—now, you keep this to yourself, Mary—but the Lorimer car is a darn good car and it's been cutting into our sales to the point where it's not funny any more. Now, I know all about the Lorimer car. They haven't got so much as a washer on it that we haven't got, or can't put, on a Jupiter. But I'm damned if a lot of people don't prefer it to the Jupiter. Now why?"

"I says to myself, I'm going to find out. So I gave Tom \$5,000 cash to buy a brand-new Lorimer. You've heard me say Tom's the best mechanic alive, and he is. That's why I keep him. He ain't so trustworthy in all ways—I've found that out. But I'd rather have him on my cars than some honest lunkhead. And if he wasn't lacking somewhere, he'd be down at the plant, getting \$20,000 a year, instead of wearing my livery and sleeping over a garage.

Breathless as she was with eagerness for him to get on to the point of the story, Mary could not help recognizing that the faults of Tom were a real heartache to the old man, so highly did he esteem the man's mechanical genius.

Well, I says to Tom, Jupiter went on, "this here's to be your car to fool with. Take it when ever you've got the time, and do tricks with it. Give it every test you can think of, just as if you was buying a car for yourself. I want to know just what you think of that car when you're done with it. Take it apart, if you want to, though I know what's inside, and so do you. Eat with it, sleep with it, get to know that Lorimer car as well as you know the Jupiter car. And when you've got an idea about the two makes of car, come and tell me where the difference is."

"Well, Tom was just like a kid with a clock to take apart. You never saw a happier man. Only—here's what I didn't know till just now—to-day, in fact—what Tom went and did was buy a second-hand car and pocket the difference!"

"Yeah, that's Tom. He's a little on the sly order. Instead of paying the full price for a new Lorimer, Tom began watching for bargains. A few days ago he found what he wanted—a car that looked brand new—turned back to the dealer after it hadn't been driven more than a couple thousand miles—and not a scratch. Yes, there was a dent in the left front fender, but Tom took it down to the factory and got it ironed out and painted over. Nobody would notice—and it gave Tom a \$1000 cut in price. He says not, but I know—I know—the price of cars. Well—

"Anyhow, I sent for Tom to drive down here. Don't know as I mentioned it. Don't like riding round in rented cars with these wild drivers. Feel better with what a fight! I hid behind a cat-snip bottle and got an earful. Listen, did Mrs. Jupiter have a diamond bracelet?"

"Yes," Mary said, "she did."

"Would you know it?"

"I think so."

"Well, look on the countless arm when she comes in. And she'll come in—alone!"

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According to latest figures 68,306 cases of vaccination have been performed by members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade up to January 14, all work being performed free of charge. The Mongkok section of the Brigade heads the list with 20,969 cases. The following is the list of cases done by other sections of the Brigade: Chinese Y.M.C.A. (Kowloon) 12,703, Chinese Athletic Association 11,310, King's College (Present Students) 9,524, Kowloon Section 3,323, Chinese Y.M.C.A. (Hongkong) 3,215, Shaikwan 2,104, Indian 1,715, Railway 1,341 and Motor Drivers 697.

long drive, and the change in climate, and all, so off he runs in it.

"Well, I rode out in it this morning. Nobody likely to see me down here, nobody that knows me, that is. Sitting back there with nobody to talk to but this Louise I got to looking around at the finish and poking the upholstery and so on, and—look what I found!"

He held out a folded sheet of paper, his hand trembling until it was hard for her to seize it.

Mary unfolded it, read in Eddie's familiar handwriting: "I. O. U. \$15,000."

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"Take it easy, now. Don't get upset," Jupiter warned her, as the whiteness of her face began to frighten him. She pulled herself together.

"How did this—get in the car. I wonder?" she asked, lovelily holding the sheet of paper which was like a message from Eddie himself.

"Well—it was a second-hand car. Looks like it might be the car that The Fly used coming and going, ran your brother down," Jupiter offered.

Mary's dazed eyes sought the paper again. "Tom swears there's been nobody in this back seat till this morning," went on Jupiter. "Tom's no hand for joyriding. I'll say that for him."

When they got back to town, driven by the obliging young man in whose pocket now reposed the first \$50 bill he had ever seen, none of the motoring party had returned. Not until she entered the lobby did it enter Mary's mind that she had not telephoned Bowen!

Hastily she called the number he had given her, but he was not there. No one knew whether he had been there or how long ago he had gone. Well, she had been gone nearly three hours. No wonder he had grown impatient. No sooner had she gained her room, however, than the telephone began to trill madly. It was Bowen. He was almost incoherent with relief at finding her in. "Listen," he said. "I'm at Hill-top Inn. Nobody here but me, now. But they've been here, Bruce and the Countess. And what a fight! I hid behind a cat-snip bottle and got an earful. Listen, did Mrs. Jupiter have a diamond bracelet?"

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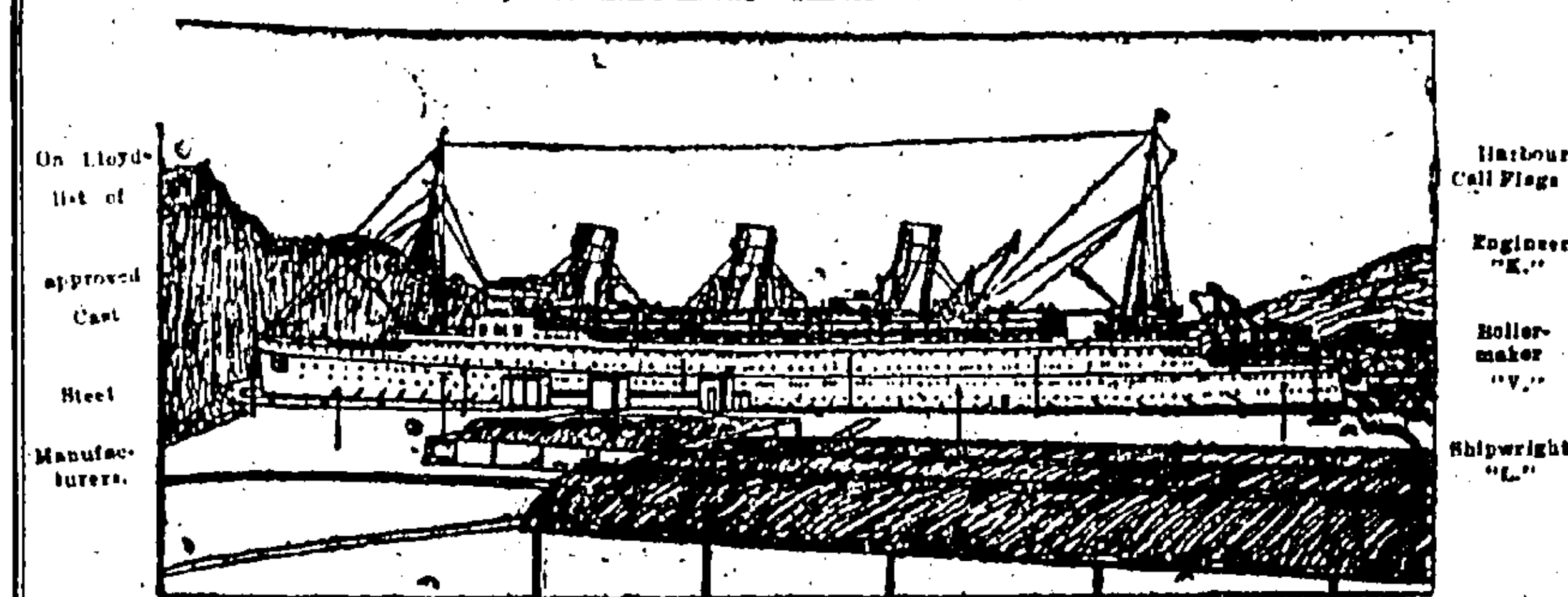
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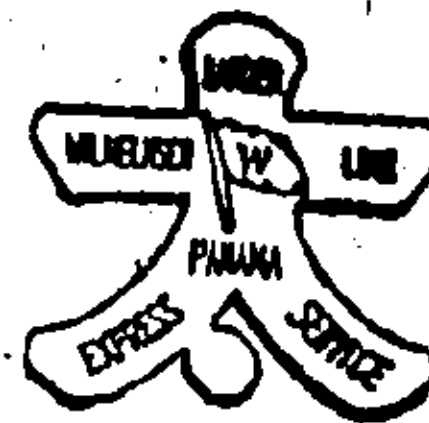
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U.S. PRESIDENCY OUTLOOK.

THREE MORE NAMED AS CANDIDATES.

TWO DEMOCRATS.

Washington, Jan. 14.
The names of three candidates for President were formally put forward to-day, one of them President Hoover and the other two Democrats.

Postmaster General Walter F. Brown announced that President Hoover would be a candidate for renomination on the Republican ticket.

Brown, considered to be the most likely successor to Senator Simon D. Pess, of Ohio, as chairman of the Republican national committee, said local conditions would be met in each state regarding the methods to enter Hoover's name in the campaign for delegates to the convention opening June 14 at Chicago.

At Valley City, N. D., Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York was endorsed as a Democratic presidential candidate by the resolutions committee of the state Democratic convention.

Harry Flood Byrd, former governor of Virginia, was endorsed for the Democratic nomination in a joint resolution unanimously adopted today by the Central Assembly of Virginia. Byrd, a brother of Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd, polar explorer, is one of a number of favourite candidates expected to be put forward by various state delegations at the Democratic convention, also at Chicago, to open two weeks after the Republican gathering.

Republican independents of the Senate said today they are confident that Senator Hiram Johnson, of California, would enter the race for the Republican nomination in opposition to President Hoover.

Johnson, arch foe of foreign entanglements, was invited a few days ago by Senators Gerald P. Nye and Lynn Frazier to enter the March 15 primary in North Dakota.

One of the first to put his name into the boiling Democratic political pot was Governor Albert C. Ritchie, now chief executive of Maryland for the fourth time. An ardent foe of prohibition, he is considered the strongest foe of Governor Roosevelt, and has the endorsement of the Maryland state legislature.

The very first to enter was another Marylander, former Senator Joseph I. France, Republican, who announced his candidacy last summer, admitting that he had no organized backing however.

GENTLE ART OF DECEPTION.

CLEVER TRICKS BY A CONJUROR.

For two hours last night at the Roof Garden of the Peninsula Hotel, Dr. Saa de Waldemar, magician and conjuror, entertained an audience of over 300, which included His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel, and a party from Government House.

Some of the acts were quite familiar, but others were distinctly novel and left the audience guessing for an explanation. Where the quickness of the hand may be accepted as explanation for what the eye has failed to detect, Dr. Saa de Waldemar nevertheless demonstrates that he has one or two things still left for solution, and therein lies the secret of his claim to be a magician above the ordinary.

Some of his audience would like to know how he was able to draw satisfying looking liquor from mere "maddings," and how he was able to change blank paper into good Hongkong banknotes. In



his best trick he broke two eggs into the inside of a borrowed felt hat and set it alight—those were anxious moments for the owner—the next moment to return it intact with no trace of eggs or of burns, and after extracting therefrom a live rabbit. This rabbit was then made to disappear, to be rediscovered the next instant in the pocket of a member of the audience, and then placed at the other end of the room, to his most profound astonishment.

Dr. Saa de Waldemar had the whole audience in merry spirits and warmly applauding his ability at the conclusion of the performance.

Eighteen enthusiasts started out on the first ramble of the newly-formed Hiking Club yesterday. The route chosen was from Kennedy Road to Tai Koo via Bowen Road and Stubbs Road. Two dropped out at Bowen Road junction, but the rest continued, the return journey being made by tram.

WOMEN ILL-TREATS CHILD.

TWENTY-FIVE DOLLAR FINE.

The S. C. A. prosecuted in a case at the Kowloon Magistracy, before Mr. Fraser, this morning, in which a woman named Liu Sim was charged with neglecting and ill-treating a girl four years of age.

Mr. Thomson, for the S. C. A., stated that the matter was reported to his department by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, and as a result an Inspector was sent to investigate. After these investigations, defendant was arrested and charged.

Medical evidence was given by Dr. P. F. S. Court, of the Kowloon Hospital, who testified that the child had had a severe beating when he examined her, but he did not think that the injuries were severe.

Miss Violet Chan, of the S.P.C.C., said the matter was reported to the Society and she was sent to the S. C. A. where she reported the affair. An Inspector was sent with her to the defendant's address, where the child was found.

It was stated that the child was the daughter of the defendant's eldest sister.

His Worship registered a conviction and imposed a fine of \$25, or one month.

£12,000,000 TOTE BETTING ON DOGS.

LORD D'ABERNON URGES CONTROL.

Lord D'Abernon, speaking at the annual meeting of the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association at Newmarket, made important suggestions regarding betting and British racing.

He pointed out that the Totalisator attracts no more than about £1,000,000 (or 5 per cent.) of the money bet annually on races, whereas £12,000,000 is attracted to the Totalisator for dog-racing meetings.

The latter betting, he recalled, is not under statutory control, and he said he considered that steps should be taken to bring all Totalisator betting under central control.

Scrapping of Courses.

A further suggestion made by Lord D'Abernon was for the rationalisation of racing, involving the scrapping of many of the smaller racecourses.

The money leaving England in connection with the Irish hospitals' sweepstakes, he added, might be retained here in support of racing and of English cricket.

AT THE
QUEEN'S To-day to Wednesday
At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20.

WHY, WHO'S THIS?



He's Hugh Wadsworth

"THE MAN THEY COULDN'T ARREST"

BRITAIN'S BEST

NEXT ATTRACTION

MARION DAVIES

in

A Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer PICTURE

A MARION DAVIES PRODUCTION

with

LESLIE HOWARD



AT THE STAR FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY
At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20.

WILLIAM HAINES

M.G.M. "WAY OUT WEST"

Trade Mark

MAJESTIC



TO-DAY & TO-MORROW

at 2.30, 5.20, 7.20 & 9.20 p.m.

GEORGE O'BRIEN

Prototype of "he-man" roles and at his best as the American "Mystery Ship" commander in

THE SEAS BENEATH

HONGKONG 10 A.M. 9 P.M.

AQUARIUM
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SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS:

The following cable at the close of the sugar market on Saturday has been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.

London Terminals. Market steady — prices un-

changed. New York Terminal. (Closed). Sourabaya (16/1/32). — Better tone to market sterling exchange improving—consider Java sugar cheap at present prices. Sourabaya (16/1/32). — Trust Mills sold 24,000 tons whites—price and buyers not disclosed probably 78.50 per 100 kilos.

SHOWING TO-DAY

KING'S At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.30 p.m.

Husbands get misplaced so easily!

Embarrassing moments of a madcap maid who had a husband... Somewhere.

Not strictly conventional... but oh, so convenient!

"ANNABELLE'S AFFAIRS"

VICTOR McLAGLEN
JEANETTE MACDONALD
Roland Young, Joyce Compton.
from the stage play
"Good Gracious Annabelle"

Next Attraction

Commencing Thursday 21st Jan
This girl's rose up to beat her down but a kindly coop untangled a snarl that would have blasted her life.

"HUSH MONEY"

JOAN BONNETT, HARDIE ALBRIGHT
A Fox Picture

A man's past is his wife's.
A woman's past is her own.

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